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Lesson of the Flowers.

O'er the hills the autumn hastens,
In her yellow mantle clad—
Pretty flowers and blooming meadows
Now no more will make us glad.
Yes, ye blooming train of summer,
Pretty flowers, you all must die—
While I see you droop and wither,
Oft my bosom heaves a sigh.

I shall be reminded of you
By the stalks that gave you birth,
When your petals lie around me
On the brown and frozen earth.
Oft a tear will wet my pillow,
Given to your memory sweet,
While in winter nights I listen
To the roar of storm and sleet.

Ah! ye flowers, ye come as heralds
From the Holy One on high,
Warning me in silent language,
That I, too, like you must die.
Emblems of poor mortal creatures
Are the short-lived flowers that grow—
When our summer time is ended,
Death, like autumn, lays us low.

Springfield, Oct., 1874. JESSIE G. B.

BILL AND THE WIDOW.

"Wife," said Ed Wilbur one morning as he sat stirring his coffee with one hand and holding a plum cake on his knee with the other, and looked across the table in the bright eyes of his little wife, "wouldn't it be a good joke to get bachelor Bill Smiley to take Widow Watson to Barnum's show next week."

"You can't do it, Ed; he won't ask her; he's so awful shy. Why, he came by here the other morning when I was hanging out the clothes, and he looked over the fence and spoke, but when I shook out a night-gown he blushed like a girl and went away."

"I think I can manage it," said Ed; "but I'll have to lie just a little. But then it wouldn't be much harm under the circumstances, for I know she likes him, and he don't dislike her; but just as you say, he's so shy. I'll just go over to his place to borrow some bags of him, and if I don't bag him before I come back, don't kiss me for a week, Nelly."

So saying Ed started, and while he is mowing the fields, we will take a look at Bill Smiley. He was rather a good-looking fellow, though his hair and whiskers showed some gray hairs, and he had got in a set of artificial teeth. But every one said he was a good soul, and so he was. He had as good as any in Norwich, with a new house and everything comfortable, and if he wanted a wife, many a girl would have jumped at the chance like a rooster on a grasshopper. But Bill was so bashful—always was—and when Susan Berrybottle, whom he was so sweet on, though he never said "boo" to her, got married to old Watson, he just drew in his head like a mud-turtle into his shell, and there was no getting out again, though it had been noticed that since Susan had become a widow he had paid more attention to his clothes, and had been very regular in attendance at the church the fair widow attended.

But here comes Ed Wilbur.

"Good morning, Mr. Smiley."

"Good, morning Mr. Wilbur, what's the news your way?"

"Oh, nothing particular, that I know of," said Ed, "only Barnum's show that everybody is talking about, and everybody and his girl is going to. I was over to old Sockrider's last night, and see I his son Gus has got a new buggy, and was scrubbing up his harnesses, and he's got that white face colt of his as sick as a seal. I understand that he thinks of taking widow Watson to the show. He's been a hanging around there a good deal of late, but I'd just like to cut him out, I would. Susan is a nice little woman, and deserves a better man than that young pup of a fellow though I wouldn't blame her much either if she takes him, for she must be dreadfully lonesome, and then she has to let her farm out on shares, and it isn't half worked, and no one else seems to have the spunk to speak to her. By jingo! if I were a single man, I'd show you a trick or two."

So saying, Ed borrowed some bags and started around the corner of the barn, where he had left Bill sweeping, and putting his ear to a knot hole and listened, knowing the bachelor had a habit of talking to himself when anything worried him.

"Confound that young bagrider!" said Bill, "what busines has he there. I'd like to know? Got a new buggy, has he? Well, so have I, and a new harness, too! and his can't get in sight of mine; and I declare, I've half a mind to—yes, I will! I will go this very night and ask her to go to the show with me. I'll show Ed Wilbur that I ain't such a calf as he thinks I am, if I did let Watson get the start of me in the first place!"

Ed could scarce help laughing outright, but he hastily hitched the bags on his shoulder, and with a low chuckle at his success, started home to tell the news to Nelly; about five o'clock that evening they saw Bill go by with his horse and buggy on his way to the widow's. He jogged along quietly, thinking of the old singing school days—and what a pretty girl Susan was then and wondering inwardly if he would have more courage now to talk up to her, until at a distance of about a mile from her house he came to a bridge—over a large creek—and it so happened that just as he reached the middle of the bridge he gave a tremendous sneeze and blew his teeth out of his mouth, and clear over the dash-board, and striking on the planks they rolled over the side of the bridge, and dropped into four feet of water.

Words cannot do justice to poor Bill or paint the expression of his face as he sat there—completely dumbfounded at his startling piece of ill luck. After awhile he stepped out of his buggy, and getting down on his hands and knees looked over into the water. "Yes, there they were," at the bottom, with a crowd of little fishes rubbing their noses against them, and Bill wishes to goodness that his nose was as close for a second. His beautiful teeth that had cost him so much, and the show coming on and no time to get another set—and the widow and young Sockrider. Well, he must get them somehow—and no time to lose, for some one might come along and ask him what he was fooling around there for. He had no notion of spoiling his good clothes by wading in with them on, and besides, if he did that he could not go to the widow's that night, so he took a look up and down the road to see that no one was in sight, and then quickly undressed himself, laying his clothes in the buggy to keep them clean. Then he ran around the bank and waded into the almost icy-cold water, but his teeth did not chatter in his head—he only wished they could. Quietly he waded along so as not to stir up the mud, and when he got to the right spot he dropped under the water and came up with his teeth in his hand, and replaced them in his mouth. But hark! What noise is that? A wagon, and a little dog barking with all his might, and his horse is starting. "Whoa! Whoa! Stop you brute!" But he would not, but went off at a spanking space with the unfortunate bachelor after him, and the little dog yelping after the bachelor. Bill was certainly in running costume, but though he strained every nerve he could not touch the buggy or reach the lines that were dragging on the ground.

After a while his ping hat shook off the seat and the hind wheel ran over it, making it as flat as a pancake. But he snatched it as he ran, and after jamming his fist into it, stuck it, all dusty and dimpled, on his head. And now he saw the widow's house on the hill, and what, oh, what will he do! Then his coat fell out, he slipped it on, and then, making a desperate spurt, he clutched the back of his seat and scrambled in, and pulling the buffalo over his legs, stuffed the other things beneath. Now the horse happened to be one that he got from Squire Moore, and he got it from the widow, and he took it in his head to stop at her gate, which Bill had no power to prevent, as he had no possession of the reins, besides he was too busy buttoning his coat up to his chin to think of doing much else. The widow heard the rattle of the wheels and looked out, and seeing that it was Smiley, and that he didn't offer to get out, she went out to the gate to see what he wanted, and there she stood chatting with her white arms on the top of the gate, and her face right toward him, while the cold chills ran down his shirtless back clear to his bare feet beneath the buffalo robe, and the water from his hair and the dust from his hat had combined to make some nice streams of mud that came trickling down his face. She asked him to come in. "No, he was in a hurry," he said. Still he did not offer to go. He did not like to ask her to pick up his reins for him, because he did not know what excuse to make for not doing it himself. Then he looked down the road behind and saw a white faced horse coming, and at once surmised it was that of Gus. Sockrider! He resolved to do or die, and hurriedly told his errand. The widow would be delighted to go, of course she would. But wouldn't he come in. "No, he was in a hurry," he said; "had to go on to Mr. Green's place.

"Oh," said the widow, you're going to Mr. Green's, are you? Why, I was just going there myself to get one of the girls to help me quilt more. Just wait a second while I get my bonnet and shawl, and I'll ride with you.' And away she skipped.

"Thunder and lightning!" said Bill, "what a scrape!" and he hastily clutched his pants from between his feet, and was preparing to wriggle into them, when a light wagon, drawn by the white faced horse, driven by a boy, came along and stopped beside him. The boy held up a pair of boots in one hand, and a pair of socks in the other, and just as the widow reached the gate again, he said:

"Here's you boots and socks, Mr. Smiley, that you left on the bridge when you was in swimming."

"You're mistaken," said Bill, "they're not mine."

"Why," said the boy, "ain't you the man that had the race after the horse just now?"

"No, sir, I am not! You had better go about your business."

Bill sighed at the loss of his Sunday boots, and turning to the widow, said:

"Just pick up those lines, will you, please, this brute of a horse is forever switching them out of my hands." The widow complied, and then he pulled one corner of the robe cautiously down and she got in.

"What a lovely evening," said she, "and so warm, I don't think we need the robe over us, do we?"

(You see she had on a nice dress, and a pair of new gaiters, and she wanted to show them.)

"Oh, my!" said Bill earnestly, "you'll find it chilly riding, and I wouldn't have you catch cold for the world."

She seemed pleased at his tender care for her health, and contented herself with sticking one of her little feet out with a long silk necktie over the end of it.

"What is that, Mr. Smiley, a neck-tie?"

"Yes, said he, "I bought it the other day, and I must have left it in the buggy. Never mind it."

"But," said she, "it was so careless," and stooping over she picked it up, and made a motion to stuff it in between them.

Bill felt her hand going down, and making a dive after it, clutched it in his and held it hard and fast.

Then they went quite a distance, he still holding her hand in his and wondering what he should do when they got to Mr. Green's, and she wondering why he did not say something nice to her as well as squeeze her hand, and why his coat was buttoned up so tightly on such a warm evening, and what made his hat and face so dirty, until they were going down a little hill and one of the traces came unhitched and they had to stop.

"Oh, murder!" exclaimed Bill, "what next?"

"What is the matter, Mr. Smiley?" said the widow, with a start which came near jerking the robe off his knees.

"One of the traces is off," answered he.

"Well, why don't you get out and put it on?"

"I can't," said Bill; "I've got—that is, I haven't got—oh, dear, I'm so sick! what shall I do?"

"Why, Willie," said she, tenderly, "what is the matter? do tell me." She gave his hand a little squeeze, and looking into his face she thought he was going to faint, so she got out her smelling bottle with her left hand, and pulling the stopper out with her teeth, she stuck it to his nose.

Bill was just taking in breath for a mighty sigh, and the pungent odor made him throw back his head so far that he lost his balance and went over the low backed buggy. The woman gave a scream as his bare feet flew past her head; and covering her face with her hands she gave way to tears or smiles—it is hard to tell which. But Bill was "right side up" in a moment, and was leaning over the back of the seat humbly apologizing and explaining, when Ed Wilbur and his wife and baby drove up behind and stopped. Poor Bill felt that he would rather have been shot than have Ed Wilbur catch him in such a scrape, but there was no help for it now, so he called Ed to him and whispered in his ear. Ed was like to burst with suppressed laughter, but he beckoned to his wife to draw up, and, after saying something to her, he helped the widow out of Bill's buggy into his, and the two women went on, leaving the two men behind. Bill lost no time in arranging his toilet as well as he could, and then with great persuasion Ed got him to go home with him, and hunting up slippers and socks and getting him washed and combed, had him quite presentable when the ladies arrived. I need not tell how the story was all wormed out of bashful Bill, and how they all laughed as they sat around the tea table that night, but will conclude by saying that they went to the show together and Bill has no fear of Gus. Sockrider now.

This is the story about Bill and the widow just as I had it from Ed Wilbur, and if there is anything unsatisfactory about it ask him.

THE RED CURRANT.

Next to the appie, for every-day wear, cums the red currant.

They are almost az necessary and common for sweet-meats in all well regulated familys az hash iz for brefasst.

They gro on a low bush, and they gro so thik that yu couldn't stik another one on without knocking off two.

They are about the size ov a double *B* shot, and when they are ripe they are az red az the eye of a wild pigeon.

They are az sour az the blood ov a lemon, but plenty ov white sugar cures them ov this malady.

One pint ov ripe currants for tea, well pikt over and washed off gently with ice water, and mixt up with about az mutch lite brown sugar az there iz currants, are just about az free from guile az any nourishment i kno ov.

Currants are good green, half ripe, or dead ripe, and are cheaper than herring, and a good deal freer from bones.

Currants make a good pi too, and the man who haint et them mutch, and often, haz lived a good deal in vain.

Ripe currants, rite oph from the bush, are az healthy to eat az rice iz, and the man who don't luv them, either raw or cooked, iz no gentleman.

There iz a grate menny things i had rather do, in a hot day, than to pik currants, but i have done it all day, when i waz a boy, and got a nine pence at night for the job.

I am more than a haff a century old now, but i can look bak, and remember just how bright and how big one ov them ninepences used to be.

And a hundred dollars now ain't haff so mutch money az they waz then.

I wish i waz a boy again, and knu ov life what i kno now, i would bind myself, if i could allwuss be a boy, to pik currants for a nine-pence a day, az long az the currants held out.

Currant jelly iz another smart thing that currants can do. This delikasy iz az well known az the ten commandments, and iz a good deal heeter relished bi menny folks.—*Josh Billings, in N. Y. Weekly.*

WE MARRY TOO YOUNG.

Among our American population—perhaps particularly the first and second generations from immigrant parents—there appears to be a very strong tendency to marry young. This very especially applies to the female portion of the community. American young men seem infatuated about marrying girls not out of their teens. A young woman of twenty-four or twenty-five years of age in the city, is "an old maid." Marrying young men seek a union with children of fifteen to seventeen years of age—girls that ought to be in charge of their parents for some years to come, instead of becoming mothers themselves.

This infatuation results in undeveloped and ildeveloped growing girls thus becoming young mothers before they are fit to leave their own mother's care. The first consequence of this is, that the infant offspring of a beardless boy of eighteen or nineteen years of age, and a childish girl of fifteen or sixteen years, possess but little stamina, and soon droops and dwindles, and dies in the first weeks or months of its existence.

Crossing from Brooklyn to New York on a ferry-boat a few days ago, we observed a pale, delicate, unhealthy-looking little girl trying to pacify a sickly, crying, dying infant. For a little time we were completely puzzled in conjecturing whether the little girl was the mother of that dying infant or not. And that she handled that baby with something of the air that a mother only can rightly manifest. Being curious to ask the truth of the matter, we made free, with endless apologies, to ask that girl if she were really the infant's mother. With somewhat of color rising in her pale cheeks, and a mother's pride, she said, "Yes, sir, this is my child."

Heartily and very sincerely did we pity that little girl. Without strength herself, there was that poor little infant wanting in vitality. Before this article meets the eyes of our readers, that poor babe must be with those that figure in Dr. Harris's returns as dying "under one year old."—*Science of Health.*

HOW TO KEEP WARM.—One way *not* to keep warm is to drink freely of hot drinks; to keep the pores of the skin closed; to eat more than can be digested; to sit over a hot-air furnace; to lace tightly; wear tight garters, tight shoes, tight gloves, and bundle up with "heaps" of warm clothing; wear mufflers around the neck, and avoid a breath of cool fresh air; take wine or bitters before meals, and pills to aid digestion after eating. Do this daily, a month or more, and you will be as tender as a tropical house-plant, and will take 'dreadful' colds on the slightest exposure. Hot drinks just before going out are especially favorable to induce chills; and this is about the way many are now trying to cheat nature and to prolong a miserable existence.—*Science of Health.*

☞Passionate persons are like men who stand upon their heads; they see everything the wrong way.—*Plato.*

☞No "wire-pulling" preliminary to women's political meetings; nothing but corset-pulling.

The Last.

BY GEORE COOPER.

The last kiss,—
Whose fond lips will give it?
The last joy,—
What blest heart will live it?
The last morn,—
What bright eyes will see that?
The last man,—
What poor soul will be that?

The last pang,—
Whose sad heart will know it?
The last smile,—
What fair face will show it?
The last boon,—
Who will give this kindly?
The last fault,—
Who will pass that blindly?

The last hope,—
Fancy drops the curtain!
Of things last
Only two are certain:
The last aid,—
This will be a true man's;
The last word,—
That will be a woman's!

A DISHEARTENED LIFE INSURANCE AGENT.

A family named Kemper moved into a house in our row last week, writes Max Adeler, and Benjamin P Gunn, the insurance agent, who lives in the same row, was the first caller. He dropped in to see if he could not take out a policy for Mr. Kemper. Mrs. Kemper came down to the parlor to see him.

'I suppose,' said Gunn, 'Mr. Kemper has no insurance on his life.'

'No,' said Mrs. Kemper.

'Well, I'd like to get him to take out a policy in our company. It's the safest in the world; the largest capital, smallest rates, and biggest dividends.'

'Mr. Kemper don't take much interest in such things now,' said Mrs. K.

'Well, madam, but he ought to, in common justice to you. No man knows when he will die, and by paying a ridiculously small sum now, Mr. Kemper can leave his family in affluence. I'd like to hand you, for him, a few pamphlets containing statistics upon the subject; may I?'

'Of course, if you wish to.'

'Don't you think he can be induced to insure?' asked Gunn.

'I hardly think so,' said Mrs. Kemper.

'He is in good health, I suppose? Has he complained lately of being sick?'

'Not lately.'

'May I ask if he has any considerable wealth?'

'Not a cent.'

'Then, of course, he must insure. No poor man can afford to neglect such an opportunity. I suppose he travels sometimes; goes about in railroad cars and other dangerous places.'

'No, he keeps very quiet.'

'Man of steady habits, I s'pose?'

'Very steady.'

'He is just the very many I want,' said Gunn; 'I know I can sell him a policy.'

'I don't think you can,' replied Mrs. Kemper.

'Why? When will he be home? I'll call on him. I don't know any reason why I shouldn't insure him.'

'I know,' replied Mrs. K.

'Why?'

'He has been dead twenty-seven years,' said the widow.

Then Gunn left all of a sudden. He will not insure any of the Kempers.

INTERESTING TO LADIES.

Embroidered cloth shoes are in fashion.

All stuff dresses are made polonaise style.

Walking skirts do not touch the ground by three inches.

Overskirts are very long it front, looped at the back.

Chinese silk sashes have been introduced. They are very pretty.

The white gauze veil continues to be worn, as it hides paint, powder and something else!

Every fashionable lady is supposed to have a jet collar these lovely autumn days.

The Cuirass reigns, and, judging from importations and other things, is liable to for some time to come.

The autumn fashions are altogether too masculine. Women have no reason to imitate men.

Mrs. Fitch (*nee* Minnie Sherman) is said to have thirty-six silk dress in *trousseau*, nearly one for every State in the Union.

A lady correspondent of the Woman's Journal asks why women have not the independence to give up skirts at once. She suggests warm, full trousers buttoned to a skirt waist, with a band below the knee, a full plaited skirt reaching to the knee, with handsome boots.

WRITE LIGHTLY.—An Indiana editor advises people against using a hard pencil, and goes on to tell why. His wife desired him to write a note to a lady, inviting her to meet a party of friends at her house. After 'Hubby' had done as his wife desired, and started to post the note she saw on another piece of paper an impression of what he had written. It was:

'Sweet Mattie: Effie desires your company on Wednesday, to meet the Smithers. Don't fail to come; and my darling, I shall have the happiness of a long walk home with you, and a sweet good-night kiss. I dare not see you often, or my all-consuming love would betray us both. But, Mattie, dear, don't forget to come.'

☞When a young man in Ohio will walk eight miles on a hot night to buy his true-love a palm-leaf fan, will any man dare write that love in this country isn't what it used to be?

☞"Who is that foreign lady with the low-necked dress?" asked a by-stander at a party. That is Mrs. Chemisoff—a Russian lady."

☞Young ladies, says a Kansas editor, are always ready for young gentlemen to make their "statements."

☞Polite—"Please, sir, if you'll get off my corn long enough, I'll kick you."

☞A wife's secret—her opinions of her husband.

☞It is never to late to mary or to mend.

☞Hop merchants—Dancing-masters.

☞A shocking scene—Kerosene.

The Journal.

SATURDAY, NOV. 7, 1874.

ROOSTERS and "sich" are the democratic newspaper illustrations this week. It's a luxury to hear the successful party crow.

IN Boston, it is said, the election has had a beneficial effect on business. In some branches of trade (the liquor trade especially) there is great cheerfulness, and it is expected that times will be easier.

THE Irishmen of Holyoke elected Prof. Seelye. If they had only known they were voting for a Protestant clergyman, what a difference it would have made. The Hampshire Gazette says the election was brought about by "rum and religion." Very likely.

THERE is more trouble in Louisiana. In the recent election the conservatives think they were victorious while it is charged that the radicals will count the votes so as to give them a majority. The conservatives threaten to hang the leading radicals if they do this.

THE autumn weather continues to be mild and pleasant. It is getting quite dry, and forest fires are frequent. There have been snows at the north of us, where the weather is slightly cooler. It is remarked that for many years we have had a light snow in October, but this year there was none.

OUR readers will remember the story we told several years ago of Chester W. Chapin, congressman elect, receiving a silver quarter for holding Major Morgan's horses, at Westfield. Chapin was a boy then, attending school, and the Major was driving stage. It is said that Mr. Chapin has kept that quarter ever since, and a few days ago he figured up the interest, which, when compounded, amounted to over $100. He took the interest and bought Mrs. Morgan a nice carpet.

THIS thunder all around the sky is a warning from which the republican party will take heed. It must go up to a higher level or sink to a lower depth. The party, itself, is all right, but it has barnacles which must be scraped off, or they will hopelessly weigh it down. More new blood must be infused into its veins, it must cast off the "old hacks," and take in fresh men. More than all, the party must select none but the highest type of men for candidates, and then it can work with clean hands and a courage worthy of success.

The Result.

We are disappointed in the result of the State election. A good many people share this disappointment. The "off year" came this year instead of last, which is unfortunate for a good many candidates. It was an exaggeration when we reckoned on Talbot's majority at 20,000. He fell a little short of those figures. So, we might as well settle down to Gaston for the year 1875 and conclude that the republican party made a mistake in the nomination of Mr. Talbot. A good many people like their bitters, consequently the result is a bitter disappointment to temperance men. The constables are a great plague to liquor shops, and this plague must be abated. On the whole we might as well laugh as cry, for the democrats of Massachusetts don't get a Governor once in thirty years, and republicans would be selfish not to gratify them once in awhile. Mr. Gaston is a very respectable man. He don't drink liquor himself, but he will give his constituents all that he can. He will feel like a cat in a strange garret, surrounded by republican associates; but, then, he will not be ashamed of his company, and will no doubt make quite an acceptable governor.

☞The trustees of Mount Holyoke Seminary at South Hadley, Wednesday, decided to proceed at once with the erection of the art gallery, and ground will be broken therefor immediately, enough money having been pledged to insure its success. The building will be northeast of the present library building, and will cost $35,000.

☞The large barn of Leonard and Lyman at Westfield, with 100 tons of hay, was burned by an incendiary fire Tuesday evening. Loss $8000, with $5900 insurance, viz: $2100 in the North and German; the same in the Hanover, N. Y.; $1000 in the Royal, England; $500 in the Orient, Hartford, and $200 in the Germania, N. Y.

☞The Milford, N. H., five cents savings bank suspended payment, Thursday. It lost two per cent, upon its deposits by the National bank robbery. It is believed that when the securities are turned they will pay dollar for dollar, but the institution will probably be wound up.

☞Charles Clark, a practical joker at Lenox, has been placed under bonds to appear before the Superior Court at Pittsfield, in January, for representing himself to be a State constable, "just for the fun of the thing."

☞Cordelia Lessiur was a Lowell heroine. She rescued a girl whose fingers had caught in the machinery of a mill, but in doing it her own arm was drawn in and torn off. She died from the hurt.

☞The cattle disease, which has given so much alarm to farmers in Tolland county, Ct., is spreading, and has made its appearance at various points along the Connecticut river.

☞The official democratic majority at the election in Ohio was 17,202 with 7815 votes to come out from the prohibition party. The total vote of the state was 465,000.

THE STATE ELECTION!

A POLITICAL RESERVOIR BREAKS LOOSE!

THE REPUBLICAN PARTY BADLY UPSET!

WM. GASTON ELECTED GOVERNOR BY 7,000 MAJORITY!

The Rest of the State Ticket Republican, and the Senate and House Ditto!—Alexander, Stevens, Butler, Gooch, Ayer and Williams defeated for Congress!—The Democrats Jubilant!

The "divil" was to pay on Tuesday!

Nobody had calculated on a democratic victory; consequently there were several surprises all around the lots.

The total vote of the State was over 183,000, of which Thomas Talbot had 88,728, and Wm. Gaston 95,780. Gaston's majority 7,052.

H. G. Knight, the candidate of the republicans for Lieut. Governor, is elected; also the rest of the republican State ticket.

The Legislature is republican, the Senate standing 24 republicans to 16 democrats, the House 153 republicans to 87 democrats. This will insure a republican U. S. Senator, but his name will not probably be Mr. Dawes.

The slaughter in the congressional districts has been fearful. In the eleventh district Chester W. Chapin is elected over Alexander by more than 5000 majority. Mr. Chapin kept open house Tuesday evening.

In the tenth district Prof. Seelye had about 500 majority over Chas. A. Stevens, which is another of the remarkable things of this world.

In the eighth district Mr. Warren, dem., beat Mr. Williams by 600 majority; in the seventh district Mr. Tarbox, dem., was elected over Dr. Ayer, by 1500 majority; in the sixth district Gen. Butler is beaten by Thompson, dem., by 1000 majority, and in the fifth district Gen. Banks, ind., beats Gooch by 6200 majority. This will make the delegation from Massachusetts stand 5 republicans, 3 independent, 3 democratic.

Mr. Chapin, the Congressman elect in the eleventh district, cut himself aloof from all parties, and stands on independent ground. He is not a man that anybody can seriously object to in this position. His election is a crowning honor to a well-spent life of usefulness and business activity.

The executive council is entirely republican, so that Governor Gaston's hands are tied in regard to appointments. He will have the privilege of signing license bills unmolested.

Among other things to regret in Western Massachusetts is the defeat of N. A. Leonard for district attorney, by Lathrop, the democratic candidate, by about 1000 majority. In the Hampshire and Franklin district the bolters elect Mr. Field of Shelburne Falls instead of DeWolf of Greenfield, the regular nominee.

Sheriff Bradley is re-elected by about 2000 majority in Hampden county, and in Hampshire, Berkshire and Franklin counties the republican county tickets are elected. James S. Loomis, candidate for county commissioner in Hampden county, is defeated by John O'Donnell of Holyoke, who has a majority of 511.

Among the candidates saved is H. S. Hyde of Springfield, who is elected senator from Eastern Hampden. He had 203 majority. Mr. Gillett of the Western Hampden district was defeated by Fuller, dem., by 791 majority. In the Hampshire district Edson of Hadley beat Billings of Hatfield, regular candidate, by 947 majority.

None of the defeated candidates have reason to suppose they were singled out for destruction. The avalanche was so general that those who happened to be in its way were overwhelmed, and they have plenty of company.

We give the vote of Hampden and Hampshire counties in detail, not having room for the rest of the State.

HAMPDEN COUNTY.

Towns.	*Talbot.*	*Gaston.*
Agawam,	92	132
Blandford,	57	104
Brimfield,	74	121
Chester,	67	112
Chicopee,	310	648
Granville,	44	124
Holland,	12	32
Holyoke,	271	1,008
Longmeadow,	81	55
Ludlow,	66	53
Monson,	207	170
Montgomery,	23	33
Palmer,	245	272
Russell,	49	66
Southwick,	44	155
Springfield,	1,402	2,813
Tolland,	19	52
Wales,	92	40
Westfield,	276	1,026
West Springfield,	156	239
Wilbraham,	209	200
21 towns,	3,796	7,455

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.

Amherst,	327	240
Belchertown,	125	231
Chesterfield,	89	57
Cummington,	133	70
Easthampton,	241	223
Enfield,	89	124
Goshen,	36	13
Granby,	71	50
Greenwich,	53	68
Hadley,	158	136
Hatfield,	74	139
Huntington,	51	51
Middlefield,	48	10
Northampton,	451	882
Pelham,	54	31
Plainfield,	72	18
Prescott,	27	36
South Hadley,	178	204
Southampton,	88	43
Ware,	215	274
Westhampton,	61	9
Williamsburg,	188	161
Worthington,	90	67
22 towns,	2,644	2,129

VOTE FOR GOVERNOR, 332 TOWNS.

Thomas Talbot, republican,	88,350
William Gaston, democrat,	95,236
Majority for Gaston,	6,886

Andrews, labor reform candidate for Governor, has 39 votes in the whole State.

OTHER STATE OFFICERS REPUBLICAN.

These totals show the proportion in which Talbot ran behind his associates throughout the State:

	Governor.		Lt. Governor.	
	Talbot.	*Gaston.*	*Knight.*	*Smith.*
Hampden Co.,	3,796	7,465	4,919	6,356
Hampshire Co.,	2,614	2,129	3,871	1,971
Berkshire Co.,	3,870	4,776	3,926	4,107
Boston,	10,755	18,802	12,852	17,080
	21,035	33,162	25,568	29,514

VOTES FOR SENATOR.

EASTERN HAMPDEN DISTRICT.

	Hyde.	*Phelps.*
Brimfield,	77	118
Holland,	12	32
Monson,	198	181
Palmer,	275	241
Springfield,	2,204	2,054
Wales,	77	58
Wilbraham,	222	178
Complete,	3,065	2,862

VOTES FOR REPRESENTATIVES.

HAMPDEN COUNTY.

First District.—Candidates: James Tufts of Monson, republican: Daniel G. Green of Monson, democrat.

	Tufts.	*Green.*
Monson,	195	184
Brimfield,	75	119
Holland,	13	32
Wales,	72	61
Total	353	396

Second District.—Candidates: Timothy D. Potter of Palmer, republican; Charles L. Gardner of Palmer, republican.

	Potter.	*Gardner.*
Palmer,	233	276
Wilbraham,	188	221
Total,	421	497

THE STATE EXECUTIVE.

Governor—William Gaston of Boston, dem.
Lieutenant Governor—Horatio G. Knight of Easthampton, rep.
Secretary of State—Oliver Warner of Northampampton, rep.
Treasurer and Receiver General—Charles Adams, Jr., of North Brookfield, rep.
Auditor—Charles Endicott of Canton, rep.
Attorney General—Charles R. Train of Boston, rep.

COUNCILORS.

First District—Alfred Macy of Nantucket, rep.
Second—Seth Turner of Randolph, rep.
Third—Alden Leland of Holliston, rep.
Fourth—Edward H. Dunn of Boston, rep.
Fifth—Robert Conch of Newburyport, rep.
Sixth—George O. Brastow of Somerville, rep.
Seventh—George Whitney of Royalston, rep.
Eighth—E. H. Brewster of Worthington, rep.

MEMBERS OF CONGRESS.

First District—James Buffinton of Fall River, rep.
Second—Benjamin W. Harris of East Bridgewater, rep.
Third—Henry L. Pierce of Boston, rep.
Fourth—Rufus S. Frost of Chelsea, rep.
Fifth—Nathaniel P. Banks of Waltham, ind.
Sixth—Charles P. Thompson of Gloucester, dem.
Seventh—John K. Tarbox of Lawrence, dem.
Eighth—William Wirt Warren of Brighton, dem.
Ninth—George F. Hoar of Worcester, rep.
Tenth—J. H. Seelye of Amherst, rep.
Eleventh—Chester W. Chapin of Springfield, dem.

SENATORS.

Hampden County.—First District—Henry S. Hyde of Springfield, rep.; Second—Henry Fuller of Westfield, dem.
Hampshire.—Francis Edson of Hadley, ind. rep.
Franklin.—Andrew J. Clark of Orange, rep.
Berkshire.—W. H. Phillips of Pittfield, dem.
Berkshire and Hampshire.—Lysander J. Orcutt of Cummington, rep.
Worcester county.—First District, George F. Verry of Worcester, dem.; second, Jeremiah Gatchell of Blackstone, dem.; third, Washington Tufts of Brookfield, dem.; fourth, Moses O. Ayres of Oakham, dem.; fifth, C. H. B. Snow of Fitchburg, dem.

REPRESENTATIVES—HAMPDEN COUNTY.

First District—Daniel G. Green of Monson, dem.
Second—Charles L. Gardner of Palmer, rep.
Third—T. D. Beach and C. L. Shaw, both of Springfield, dems.
Fourth—James Abbe of Springfield, Rep.
Fifth—A. M. Copeland of Springfield, dem.
Sixth—S. A. Jacobs of Chicopee and J. W. Davis of Holyoke, dem.
Seventh—Emerson Gecr of Mittineague, rep., and Samuel Flower of Agawam, dem.
Eighth—Reuben Noble of Westfield dem.
Ninth—E. E. Gibbs of Russell, dem.
2 republicans, 9 democrats, 1 independent.

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.

First District—Isaac Stone of Northampton, rep., and William M. Gaylord of Northampton, dem.
Second—Lafayette Stevens of Worthington, rep.
Third—Henry L. James of Williamsburg, rep.
Fourth—James W. Gaylord of South Hadley, ind.
Fifth—W. E. Bridgman of Belchertown, dem.
Sixth—E. E. Gibbs of Enfield, rep.
4 republicans, 2 democrats, 1 independent.

BERKSHIRE COUNTY.

First District—Joseph White of Williamstown, rep.
Second—James W. Dwyer of North Adams, dem., and William Martin of North Adams, ind. rep.
Third—Thomas F. Plunkett and Owen Coogan of Pittsfield, dems.
Fourth—A. B. Pomeroy of Washington, rep.
Fifth—W. D. Curtis of Lenox, dem.
Sixth—E. S. May of Lee, dem.
Seventh—H. W. Wright of Great Barrington, dem.
Eighth—Henry M. Wilcox of Sandisfield, dem.

County Officers.

Hampden—Sheriff, Addison M. Bradley of Springfield, rep.; county commissioner, John O'Donnell of Holyoke, dem.; special commissioners, S. E. Spellman of Wilbraham and Roland Parks of Russell, dems.; commissioners of insolvency, William J. Quinn of Holyoke, Luther B. Bliss of Wilbraham and A. H. Calkins of Long meadow.
Hampshire—Sheriff, H. A. Longley of Northampton, rep.; county commissioner, Elnathan Graves of Williamsburg, rep.; special commissioners, Samuel L. Parsons of Northampton and Charles E. Blood of Ware, reps.
Berkshire—Sheriff, Graham A. Root of Pittsfield, rep.; county commissioner, Henry J. Bliss of South Adams, dem.; special commissioners, John Stallman of Lee and Darius W. Dunham of Washington, dem.; commissioners of insolvency, E. C. Kieley of North Adams, William J. Plunkett of Pittsfield, and M. L. Whitlock of Great Barrington, dem.
Worcester—Sheriff, A. B. Sprague of Worcester; county commissioner, William O. Brown of Fitchburg, both reps.

Other Elections.

Elections were held on Tuesday in 36 other States besides our own, and in many of them large democratic majorities are reported.

Maine elected five congressmen, all republicans.

Vermont chose three republican congressmen, and Luke Poland was again defeated in the 2d district.

Rhode Island had a very quiet election, with but little opposition at the polls, and elected two republicans to Congress.

In New York the democrats made a clean sweep, electing Tilden, the democratic candidate for Governor, over Dix, republican. Fifteen republican and 18 democrats will represent the State in the next Congress. Wickham, the Tammany candidate, was elected mayor of New York city by some 7000 majority, over the republican and reform candidates.

Tennessee was carried by the democrats by some 22,000 majority. In Georgia there was little excitement and a light vote, but as usual a democratic victory. Kentucky sends ten democrats to congress, Maryland six, and North Carolina 7 democrats and 1 republican.

From all returns received it would appear that the next House of Representatives would count up 167 opposition, 96 republicans and 29 undecided.

☞C. E. Hussey, a Bates College, Me., freshman from Farmington, N. H., was so severely beaten by a party of sophomore hazers a few nights ago, that he is now confined to his bed, and under the care of a physician. The faculty have instituted a searching investigation, and say that the perpetrators of this cowardly act shall be summarily dealt with.

☞A peculiar disease having broken out among the small children in a section of Wheeling, Va., the people thought they were bewitched, and resorted to witchcraft for a cure.

☞It is believed that the Government is annually defrauded out of a million dollars by the sale of washed postage stamps.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

LOCAL NOTICES.

P. O. P. C. H., Springfield—good goods and square dealings, always.

....The Temperance League feels rather discouraged over the prospect.

....Cider barrels are in good demand, and all the cider mills are busy.

....The Good Templars were the guests of J. Marshal Knox on Friday evening.

....The next "social" of the Baptist society will meet with Mrs. G. M. Fisk, next Wednesday evening.

....Our liquor saloons are arranging for a large stock of fluids, in view of the repeal of the prohibitory law.

....Another lot has been sold by Capt. Dewey, and B. B. Adams is the purchaser. He intends to build upon it.

....Mr. Hitchcock declares "there's nothing like leather," for he has got a whole car load he wants to sell to customers.

.... The employes of the New London Northern R. R. are mourning over a reduction of 10 per cent. in their wages.

....The 2d Cong. S. S. last Sabbath chose O. L. Slader and Henry Foster as delegates to the State Convention at Fall River next week.

....Eleven different varieties of tickets were in circulation at the polls on Tuesday, and there was considerable scratching and pasting beside.

....In our item last week concerning the lots bought by A. B. Root and others on Park street, we should have given their depth as ten *rods* instead of *feet*.

....W. H. King of Suffield, Ct., formerly of Palmer, was killed on Saturday, at Suffield, by falling from a loaded wagon, the wheels of which passed over his head.

....Wood & Allen are putting up a new "Oriental Cologne" which is meeting with an extensive sale, and their name is sufficient guaranty of a good article. Have you tried it?

....The Congregational sociable this week met with Mrs. J. W. Weeks, at the Antique House, and the Baptists, on the same Wednesday evening, met with their pastor and his wife, at their rooms on Main street.

....Dr. Holbrook spent election day in putting "Chapin plasters" on Mr. Alexander. He had a whole box full, and has some left over. His treatment helped kill his patient, and other sick folks had better take warning. The doctor is an allopath.

....The newspapers all have it that C. L. Gardner, our representative, is a democrat, and he is so reckoned in the list of the next House. He is a staunch republican, and was run as a "people's candidate." The only complaint is that the democrats nominated him.

....The town meeting at Wilbraham Tuesday decided the vexed question as to where the town meetings should be held, by voting to hold them two-thirds of the time at the south village, and one-third of the time at the north, giving it one town meeting every three years.

....The State Constables made a fine raid last Saturday morning, seizing small lots of liquor at several places, and breaking into a cellar on Pleasant street, got hold of some five barrels of whiskey and gin, which had been very ingeniously concealed. Loss about $400 in all; no insurance.

....The first dramatic exhibition of the season by the Good Templars will be given at the Cong. church vestry, next Thursday evening. They have chosen the two act temperance drama, entitled "The Last Loaf," to be accompanied by a miscellaneous literary program. Good music has been engaged. Price of admission as usual. "For particulars see small bills."

....The house of Daniel Healey in Warren was entirely destroyed by fire last Saturday evening, together with all his furniture, and the buildings adjoining. The fire is supposed to have caught from a set kettle. The men folks were at West Warren at a corn husking, no one being in the house but Mrs. Healey and some children. The house is said to have been insured for $1100.

....J. C. Childs, formerly driver of Brown Bros. bakery wagon, had the misfortune last July to break his leg, from the effects of which he has been confined to the house since, and on the evening of the 23d ult., was the victim of a surprise visit from his friends, who brought with them a present of $177 in cash, etc., for his benefit. Four generations were present, and a pleasant evening was passed.

....Thomas Lodge of Masons in this village has elected the following officers for the ensuing year:—George Robinson, W. M; James B. Shaw, S. W; H. H. Sanders, J. W; A. B. Cowan, treasurer; Cyrus W. Cross, secretary; Andrew Pinney, S. D; G. Frank Sedgwick, J. D; W. Barnes, S. S; W. C. Hitchcock, J. S; H. H. Paine, Marshal; George B. Kenerson, Chaplain; H. A. Perry, organist; S. W. Shumway, tyler. After the election all were duly installed.

....The democrats and their allies, were quite jubilant Tuesday night and Wednesday over the unexpected result of the election, and let off their enthusiasm in all sorts of joyous demonstrations. The successful candidate for representative was serenaded at his house, and after the sweet notes of a bag-pipe and tin horn had died away upon the evening air, he appeared and made one of his characteristic speeches, in which he claimed to be ready to leave a lucrative business and go to Boston as a "representative of the people, unpledged and untrammeled." One of the crowd declared they went for him because he "was honest to God." On Wednesday evening they arranged for a more extensive demonstration. They got out a rusty cannon, and dispatched a messenger with a quart of rum, and money, to Wales, to obtain the Wales band, but the messenger drank up the liquor and nothing was heard of the band, so they contented themselves with firing cannon, making a bonfire and a great noise. They were determined not to give it up so, and on Thursday evening they procured a band from West Brookfield, fired a few more salutes, called on Mr. Gardner for another speech, and ended their fun with a dance at Feeney's hall.

VOTE OF PALMER.

The total vote cast in this town on Tuesday was 517—a larger vote than has been cast for several years. It stood as follows:

For Governor.

Thomas Talbot, rep 245
William Gaston, dem 272

For Lieut. Governor,

Horatio G. Knight, rep 287
William L. Smith, dem 230

For Senator,

Henry S. Hyde, rep 275
John W. Phelps, dem 241

For Representative,

Charles L. Gardner, rep 276
Timothy D. Potter, rep 233

For District Attorney,

Nehemiah A. Leonard, rep 290
E. H. Lathrop, dem 226

For Member of Congress,

Chester W. Chapin, dem 315
H. Alexander, jr., rep 187

For Sheriff.

Addison M. Bradley, rep 322
A. H. G. Lewis, dem 192

For County Commissioner,

James S. Loomis, rep 299
John O'Donnell, dem 190

The defeat of Mr. Loomis is especially to be regretted. He ran ahead of his ticket at home and in many of the towns, but the large majorities for O'Donnell at Holyoke, Westfield and Chicopee were too much for him.

LUDLOW.

A great forest fire commenced raging in Ludlow, last week Wednesday, and burned until Sunday, despite all efforts to stay it, destroying many hundred acres of woods in Ludlow, Granby and Belchertown. One man lost 400 acres of standing wood.

MONSON.

Arba Squier has the frame up for a new dwelling house on South Main street.

W. G. Meacham purchased a 7 months pig of Earl Guilford which weighed 345 lbs.

The sewer in front of Barton's block has been let to Park & Thompson who will have a suitable culvert before cold weather sets in if possible.

The election passed off very quietly, no great excitement, and none of the slurs sometimes customary on either of the candidates for representative.

E. G. Jefts is canvassing the town for a valuable book "The Bible Looking Glass," and many of his friends will gladly help him in his reformatory course by subscribing for the work.

AMHERST.

A party of sixty from Monson Academy visited the college Saturday. The fairer portion of the company impressed observers very favorably.——The regatta resulted in the victory of the junior crew, who made the three miles in 18 7, remarkable time for a turning race.——Dr. Storr's lecture on "European Libraries," was a scholarly production, well delivered, and well received. ——Wednesday evening Prof. Seelye's election was celebrated by a general illumination, firing of cannon, a large procession with a band of music, and an enthusiastic mass meeting. Prof. Stockbridge presided, and the meeting was addressed by Prof. Seelye, Capt. Hill and Hon. E. H. Sawyer of Easthampton, and others.—Next Saturday afternoon will be devoted by the students to athletic sports on Hampshire Park.

WARE AND VICINITY.

....The mills of the Otis Company were closed on Monday and Tuesday, on account of necessary repairs.

....A slight fire occurred in the picker-rooom of the Otis Company's mill, No. 3, Friday afternoon, which was extinguished before serious damage was done.

....We are informed that Miss Fannie Fisherdick has disposed of her dress-making business in Farrar's store, to Mrs. Jennings, formerly in the employ of Miss Fisherdick.

....Dr. Wm. O. Ballantine was in town a few days visiting his friends, previous to his departure for India, whither he goes under the auspices of the American Board, about January 1.

....We noticed quite a number of young men intoxicated on our streets last Tuesday, and evidently trying to "celebrate" election day. This was more noticeable as very little drunkenness has been witnessed in town for some time past.

....Another victory for "liberal" republicanism. B. F. Davis of Enfield was elected representative from the 6th Hampshire District, last Tuesday, by a vote of 434 to 384 for Wm. B. Kimball. Ware gave Davis 283 votes and Kimball 185. The victory was observed by a grand bonfire and loud demonstrations on Main streeet near the stone watering trough.

....Our town meeting on Tuesday was one of the most exciting in many respects that has been held here for years. At least ten different tickets were in circulation, consequently things in general were quite *mixed*, and the task of counting votes not a small one. The result gave Talbot 215, Gaston 274. For representative to Congress, Seelye 144, Stevens 343.

....Rev. H. J. Bruce made a very interesting address at the chapel, Sabbath evening, on "The System of Caste in India," its history, progress, effects upon the people, and its great power in hindering the work of missionaries. Mr. Bruce's labors of nine years in India have given him large opportunities for witnessing the terrible evils resulting from this great caste system, and his account of its workings, as given last Sabbath evening, was deeply interesting and instructive.

....The Sunday School Convention at Oakham, Wednesday, was quite well attended and of deep interest. J. Henry Goddard of Barre presided. The question for discussion was, "the relation of pastor and church to the Sunday School." Rev. H. J. Bruce of this town addressed the children with reference to matters of interest connected with missionary labors in India, and among others who participated in the exercises were Rev. W. G. Tuttle, Wm. E. Lewis and Silas A. Spooner of Ware.

....The funeral of Mrs. Mary T. Blodgett, wife of Rev. E. P. Blodgett of Greenwich, who died at her late residence on the 29th ult., was largely attended at the Cong. church in that town last Sabbath afternoon. Services were conducted by Rev. E. C. Ewing of Enfield and Rev. W. G. Tuttle of this place. The large congregation present was an indication of the high estimation in which the deceased was deservedly held, as well as a marked expression of sympathy for the afflicted pastor. Mrs. Blodgett's age was 55 years.

....The regular meeting of the Temperance Reform Club, last Monday evening, was well attended and unusually interesting. A capital essay on the subject of temperance was read by Noah Marland, in which he maintained that alcohol was a poison, and that whenever taken into a *healthy* human body is injurious rather than beneficial. This was followed by brief but spirited addresses from E. H. Baker, John F. Mott, S. A. Spooner and Wm. E. Lewis. The exercises were interspersed with singing by a quintette under the direction of L. D. Ercanbrack.

Random Notes.

One veto too many. That's all.

Nobody wants to hear politics now.

Collector Simmons' wife is dangerously sick.

The democrats have discovered a new "tidal wave."

The forest fires on the banks of the Ohio extend a hundred miles.

Tripe is recommended for persons engaged in active, nervous pursuits.

Abbe Richter, the famous linguist who spoke eighty languages, died at Munich on October 17.

Boston spends over thirty thousand dollars a year in teaching drawing in her public schools.

Kullman, the would-be assassin of Bismark, has had his trial and been sentenced to 14 years imprisonment.

Several negroes were killed and wounded during an election riot at Eufala, Alabama, Tuesday, some five or six hundred shots being fired.

Geo. H. Kingsbury, a teller in the National Bank of Redemption at Boston is a defaulter to the amount of over $30,000. He has been arrested.

It is reported from Florence that Mr. Joaquin Miller, the poet of the Sierras, has eloped with an Italian married woman, the mother of several children.

Mr. W. Perkins, President of the Fat Men's Association, and formerly Barnum's fat boy, was thrown from a carriage at Waterbury, Conn., Saturday, and sustained a dislocation of the left shoulder and right elbow.

☞A few days since a tramp called at the house of Amanda Wheeler, a maiden lady, sixty years old, living at Willington, Conn., and asked for something to eat. He was given a bowl of bread and milk. While eating he discovered that she was alone and assaulted her, outraged her person, and after stealing $21 in money fled.

☞A woman was divorced from her husband (plea cruelty) in the Circuit Court at Portsmouth, N. H., on Wednesday, the parties having been married in 1827, and the man being sixty four years old. The pair have had thirteen children, most of whom if not all are living and nearly all married.

☞In the house of Laban Strickland, the deaf and dumb hermit who recently starved to death at Colchester, Conn., have been found some $1500 in bank bills and specie, while the rest of his estate consists of 100 acres of good land.

☞William Cady has sold his hotel property, the Wickaboag House, in West Brookfield, to William Smith of Fitchburg, Jerome Morseman of Fitchburg has secured a lease of the property and will refit and run it.

☞The sixth annual cat show in the London Crystal Palace has not been such a success as the exhibitions of other years. The specimens were not so numerous and were poorly classified.

☞There is said to be a doctor in Cincinnati who can hold a man of equal weight with himself at arm's length in either hand, and is able with his fingers to twist a tenpenny nail into a screw.

☞One hundred and fifty respectable citizens of Ripley, Ohio, declare that recently they beheld a beautiful little angel floating in the air, and they appeal to the scientific to explain it.

☞The decision of the libel prosecution against the De Youngs, the notorious editors, at Sacramento, were that the defendants were justified in their comments on M. Burton.

☞How sharper than a serpent's tooth it is to have a man's wife draw the bed clothes over her head and declare that she will not build a fire if she dies for it.

☞It is said that orders for iron shutters in Chicago are so great that all the factories are driven with business beyond their wildest hopes.

☞Four children were lately born at a birth—two of them alive—in the parish of Cusop, Herefordshire, England.

☞A district school in Durham, N. H., consists of eighteen scholars, of which Samuel Langley supplies twelve.

☞Marriage—The altar on which man lays his wallet and woman her affections.

☞The public debt has been reduced the past month $681,000.

☞A Connecticut manufacturer is drawing German silver wire only 1-400 of an inch in diameter, or about the thickness of ordinary hair; which is a light and hairy business for any one with a talent for drawing.

☞It is proposed in England to provide separate cars for the accommodation of ladies on railroads, and for the protection of men from improper advances!

☞The communion service in a Baptist church at Cambridge was omitted last Sabbath because some irreverent thief had stolen the communion silver.

☞A shocking tragedy was enacted in the streets of St. Paul, Minn., Sunday night. A woman was murdered and her husband nearly drowned.

☞Our hard times have reached China, where great distress has been occasioned by a falling off in the demand for silk worms.

☞A Tennessee tailor has a shop on wheels. He only stays in a village long enough to clothe the people, and then jogs along.

☞Pike, the burglar, was foolish enough to record his crime in a diary, and now the autobiography is evidence against him.

☞Mr. Thompson, Butler's successor, declares himself to be Independent.

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Western, 7.48 a. m. and 12.05 p. m.
Boston and Eastern, 8.20, 11.07 a. m., and 5.48 p. m.
Southern, 11.00 a. m. and 6.20 p. m.
Northern, 11.00 a. m. and 5.48 p. m.
Ware River R. R., 10.50 a. m. and 5.38 p. m.
Athol and Enfield, 5.48 p. m.
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Western, 8.00, 10.50 a. m., 5.20 and 8.00 p. m.
New York, 10.55 a. m., and 8 p. m.
Ware River R. R., 7.35 a. m., and 2.45 p. m.
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Monson, Nov. 5, 1874. 3w36

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ELEANOR M. NELSON, Adm'x.
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Ah! cruel fate, that thus will sever
Hearts, that fain would dwell
In love's sweet thrilling bonds forever—
Come, kiss me sweet farewell.

Full well I know how sad and dreary
It is to be alone—
How waiting makes the heart grow weary,
When those we love have gone.
Ah! how many hearts have thus been broken—
Tears, despite us, fall
O'er those sad words so often spoken,
Come, kiss me sweet farewell.

Come, press thee closely to my heart, love,
In a fond embrace,
And wear once more before we part, love,
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TURNED AROUND.—The other day, on a Michigan Central train coming East was an old lady who had never traveled a great deal. She wasn't used to the ways of the book agents, the peanut boys, and the prize package nuisances who pass through the train every few minutes. When the peanut boy came along and dropped a big African peanut into her lap she shucked it, opened her mouth, and dropped the kernel down, instead of regarding it with silent contempt, or pitching it out of the window. The book agent came along and dropped a book into her lap. She said she was 'much ableeged,' and she carefully locked it up in her vallse. The prize package boy came along and dropped a sample, and she wondered how the road could give away so much. When he returned she had opened it and was wearing the breast-pin and eating the gum-drops. The book agent came back and wanted his book, and before she would give it up she called the conductor to see if all was right. The candy boy wanted pay, and she appealed to the passengers. When she understood that he was right she handed over twenty-five cents, with the remark, 'Well, ef I haint all-fired turned around. I wish I'd stayed to hum.'

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As the Heart Hears.

I know that I never can hear it, never on earth any more.
I know the music of my life with that silenced voice is o'er;
Yet I tell you, that never across the falls, the wild west wind can moan,
But my sad heart hears, close, true and clear, the thrill of his earnest tone.

I know that I never can listen, with these mortal ears of mine,
To the step that meant joy and gladness, in the days of auld lang syne;
Yet I tell you the long waves never break in the hollows of the cove,
But they mimic in their rise and fall the tread I used to love.

I know the melody that you sing, with its delicate memoried words,
Is nothing but measured language, well set into music's chorus;
Yet I tell you, as you breathe it, my dear life wakes again,
I laugh to its passionate gladness, I weep to its passionate pain.

I know the beck that tinkles, beside the forget-me-nots there,
Is nothing but water rippling where the billows shimmer fair;
Yet I tell you, for me it murmurs, the very words he said,
When We, and the Year, and Love were afresh, in the golden day that is dead.

Aye, youth is proud, and gay, and bold; still this is left for us,
We sit neath the yellowing tree leaves, and listen to silence thus.
It has life in its April glory, it has hope with its smiles and tears.
We live alone with nature and time, and hear, as the hush'd heart hears.

—*All the Year Round.*

THE FELON'S RETURN.

"Will you ask whether Mr. Graham will see a stranger?"

The clerk spoken to nodded, arose, and went into an inner office. The stranger remained, leaning against the walnut railings of the desk, his hand trifling with the little door that shut outsiders from the sanctum within. He was a tall, fair man, with close-cropped hair and beard. His shoulders were broad, his features aristocratic, but there was an odd air about him that puzzled the clerk, and would have puzzled any one. It was something that could not be defined, but it pervaded the whole man: a suppressed look, as one forced in some way to hide his feelings; a manner of standing and holding his hat which had something apologetic in it.

"Mr. Graham will see you, sir," said the clerk, returning and opening the little railed door. "In there—the office to the right."

The stranger passed into the room indicated, and closed the door behind him; then, standing with his back against it, he fumbled with his hat in the same old manner in which he had handled it in the outer office, and instead of speaking, looked at the gentleman behind the desk with eyes that had a measureless appeal in them.

The other did not rise from his chair, nor hold out his hand, nor even speak for some moments; each looked at the other, that was all. But it was the elder who broke the spell at last.

"So," he said, "is it you James?"

"Yes, it is I," said the other, "Haven't you a word for me, William?"

"I have a good many words that you might not like to hear," said William Graham. "I really can't say I am glad to see you, delighted, honored, and all that, you know."

"I don't expect any one to be glad," said the other. "I know I've disgraced the family, but I've been punished for it. Fifteen years, William—think of that!—fifteen years of prison life and prison fare and prison friends! I'd have given my soul to undo what I did, even before it was found out; and I never meant to keep the money."

"We know the story," said the merchant. "You were in a position of confidence; you betrayed it. It's the old affair. I have had it happen in my own office. I can't feel any pity for a fellow like you. What brought you here, James?"

Shifting his hat from hand to hand, looking from under his eyebrows in an abject fashion, pitiable to contemplate when one saw in what a gentlemanly mould he had been cast, James Graham answered:

"I was twenty when I went to prison. I'm five and thirty now. The outside world has been blank to me all these years. I want work. I want you to give to me—any honest work. I'm a good book-keeper, but I'll be a porter, an errand man, anything."

"Oh, no, not anything here," said the elder. "You reckoned without your host, James. You are no brother of mine. I cast you off when you became a felon. For the sake of the poor woman who called you 'son,' I'll give you some money, enough to keep you for a week or two. I'll never give you another cent—don't expect it. I will have you sent away if you come again."

The prison-taint was so strong upon the other man that his pride was not aroused yet; he fumbled with his hat, ground himself against the door, looked abjectly from under his eyebrows, and asked:

"How is sister Jessie?"

"Well," said the merchant.

"Can you tell me where she lives?" asked the brother.

"No," said the merchant. "Jessie is married, and has tried to forget the terrible grief you gave her. You are the last person a respectable brother-in-law would care to see."

"I'll ask you one more question," said James, in a faltering voice. "Ada Musgrove—what has become of her? Is she still living? Is she married?"

"I have no information for you," said the merchant, harshly. "Here is fifty dollars. If you are careful you will get work before it is gone. Remember, you'll have not another cent from my hands. Take it and go, and don't come back again."

He flung the money down upon the table, but there was a spark of manhood in his brother, even yet; he would not take a gift so proffered.

Tall as he was, he seemed to grow a head taller as he drew his shoulders back, and glaring at his brother, he threw the notes that lay before him into his face.

"Curse you, keep your money!" he said. "I don't want it. I don't want anything from you or any one. I came for help, it is true; for help to be an honest man. I've been among the outcasts of the world so long that I've lost kinship with decent folks, but I thought a brother might hold out a hand to draw me back. You refused it—Money! Why look at these hands, these shoulders, look at me! I can earn money somehow. And, by Heavens! if this is all your respectability and Christianity amounts to, I don't care if I don't see any more of it. There are plenty to welcome me, and you have driven me to them. Remember that, son of my mother! You!"

He thrust his hat upon his head and dashed out of the room, striding through the outer office with no heed of any one there, and clanging the door behind him as he departed.

One dark night a few weeks later, James Graham, in full fellowship with a gang of burglars, was receiving instructions from a companion how to enter and conceal himself in a house that had been marked for robbery. The lesson was given in front of the doomed house itself, and, after his companion had left him, Graham muttered:

"Yes, I belong to the fraternity—now I am here to rob this house, I have the mask and pistol in my pocket. I have my little dark lantern. I am a burglar, and burglars were the only men who welcomed me back from prison. My brother turned his back upon me. My brother—I wonder what my poor mother would say if she could see me now. If she knew—" He stopped himself with an oath—seemed, with a motion of his hand, to cast away the thoughts that were upon him. And in a moment more had mounted to the window indicated by his comrade; and finding it opened easily clambered in. His shoes were noiseless. He made no sound as he moved; and guiding himself by the lantern's light, looked for a place of concealment. It soon presented itself. A long wardrobe, with a door at either end. In this, behind a very curtain of suspended garments, he hid himself.

He heard, after a while, a baby cry, and in a moment more a step ran across the entry, and a ray of light glanced through the keyhole at one end of the wardrobe.

"Ada," cried a lady's voice, "come here. Baby is wide awake, and I can't leave him."

Then another rustle, another step, and there were two women very near him—so near that he could hear them breathe.

"I'm so glad you came to-day, Ada," said the other, "when I am all alone. Charles was called away unexpectedly this morning! I declare the thought of that accident makes me ill, and I am very nervous all alone in the house at night, dear. Besides being glad to see you, I am so thankful to have you to-night!"

"And I am never nervous, Jessie," said the other. "I'm as good as a man about the house, mamma says. I've hunted imaginary burglars with a poker many a night. Mamma is always imagining burglars, dear soul?"

"Don't speak of them," said the matron, who was evidently quieting her child, as only a mother can. "This house would be more of a temptation to them to-night than it has ever been before since we lived here. There are ten thousand dollars in that safe, Ada. Charles had not time to deposit it. They telegraphed that Mr. Bird might be dying."

As she made this confession, the man concealed so near to her, listened with his very heart in his ears; but it was not to the statement so well calculated to rejoice a burglar's heart. That was forgotten. He only heard the voices and names these two women called each other by. Ada! that had been the name of the girl he loved. Jessie! that was his sister's name. After all what was it to him? Like his brother, the latter had cast him off, of course, and no doubt Ada only remembered him with horror. Still, how like the voices were Could it be? He stole forward, and knelt down with his eyes to the keyhole, but he could only see part of a woman's figure swaying to and fro, as she rocked her infant on her bosom.

"Dear little fellow," said the voice of the other woman. "How sweet babies are."

She came forward and knelt down and he saw her profile. It was Ida Musgrove—older, for he had left her a girl of sixteen, and found her a woman of thirty, but handsomer than ever.

"You love children so, I wonder you don't marry," said the matron; and now James Graham knew it was his sister who spoke. "I know that William wants you to marry him. He always loved you. And Ada, he can give you all that makes life happy."

James Graham's cheeks flushed in the darkness. He hated the world more than ever now. He hated his kinsfolk—the cruel brother and sister of his most of all.

"He cannot give me the one thing necessary for wedded happiness; love him," said Ada. "No, Jessie, I have never said this to you before, but I must say it now. I love poor James too well ever to love any other man while I know he lives."

"Ah, Ada," cried Jessie, stooping over her, "it is a comfort to me to know you still remember my poor brother. I thought I was the only living being who still loved him." And then James Graham, listening on the other side of the door, heard these women weeping, together and for him.

"Yes, Ada," said his sister, "and though poor James is so sadly disgraced, still when he returns I will be glad to see him, and this shall be his home if he will, and my husband will help him to win back the place among men that he lost so long ago. William is cruel to him; but then we women are softer. When he is free again I trust he will come straight to us. I fear William would hurt him by some reproachful speech. He will be free very soon, Ada."

The man who had stolen into that house to rob it—the man of whom they spoke—could bear it no more; his heart was softened as it has not been since he was a little child. It was as if the angels had spoken to him.

Then he remembered why he was there; and kneeling and kissing the door that laid between him and those dear women who had saved him from desperation, he crept away, and finding his way to the window which he had entered, he departed as he came, vowing to lead an honest life, and some time, perhaps when he was dying, to see these two dear creatures once again; at least always the memory of their looks and words would keep his heart tender and his life pure, lonely as might be his lot.

With these thoughts in his mind he stood on the ground, and remembered with a pang who would soon arrive and what their errand would be; and that while he scorned to betray them, he must stand between them and their purpose, and save his sister's home, perhaps her life, from their hands.

He felt in his bosom for his pistol; he would not use it until the last; but he must stand between these women and harm.

He knew well enough the unforgiving ferocity of those with whom he had to deal and he muttered a little prayer for assistance—the first he breathed for many a year—as he heard soft footsteps approaching.

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"He is opening his eyes," said a voice.

James Graham heard it, and wondered why he could not turn himself and see who spoke.

Then came a remembrance of a quarrel, a conflict, and the report of a pistol. He knew all now. His fellow burglars had shot him, left him for dead. But where was he now?

"Ada, dear," said a voice again, "I think he is opening his eyes."

Then they did open, and James Graham saw two women bending over him.

"James," said one, "do you know your sister Jessie?"

The other only burst into tears.

"Yes, I know you both," said he faintly. "How did I come up here? I am so full of wonder. How do you know me?"

"We found you wounded—dead, we thought, at our gate," said Jessie. "It was Ada who knew you first."

"Dear Jessie!" he said; dear Ada!"

"We don't know how it happened," she said. "When you are better you must tell us. Only we have you back and you shall never go back again; never."

He knew he never should. He knew it did not matter whether he told them how he came to them now. He knew that in a little while he should neither see them nor know their voices; but he was very happy. A foretaste of heaven was given to him.

"They have been terrible years," he said, "terrible years. All that while I have never heard from you, but I have now. Come closer; I can't see you very well. There's a mist before my eyes. I want Jessie to kiss me."

The sister flung her arms around his neck, and kissed him over and over again. Then he turned to Ada Musgrove.

"If I were going to live I should not ask it," he said; but you used to kiss me long ago, Ada. Will you kiss me now, my dear, just once more?"

She took him in her arms.

"God is very merciful," he said; "more merciful than man. Perhaps we shall meet again, darling."

These were the last words he ever said.

A REMARKABLE MASONIC INCIDENT.

The first Masonic funeral that ever occurred in California took place in 1849, and was performed for a brother found drowned in the Bay of San Francisco. An account of the ceremonies states that on the body of the deceased was found a silver mark of a Mason, upon which were engraved the initials of his name. A little further investigation revealed to the beholder the most singular exhibition of Masonic emblems that was ever drawn by the ingenuity of man upon the human skin. There is nothing in the history or traditions of Freemasonry equal to it. Beautifully dotted on his left arm, in red and blue ink, which time could not efface, appeared all the emblems of the entire apprenticeship. There was the Holy Bible, square and compass, the twenty-four inch and common gavel. There were also the Masonic Pavement, representing the ground floor of King Solomon's Temple, the identical tessel which surrounds it, and the blazing star in the centre. On his right arm, and artistically executed in the same indelible liquid, were the emblems pertaining to the fellowcraft's degree, viz: The square, the level, and the plumb. There were also the five columns representing the five orders of architecture—the Tuscan, Doric, Ionic, Corinthian and Composite.

In removing his garments from his body, the trowel presented itself with all the other tools of operative Masonry. Over his heart was the pot of incense. On other parts of his body were the bee-hive, the book of constitutions, guarded by the Tyler's sword, pointing to a naked heart; the All-Seeing eye, the anchor and ark, the hour-glass, the scythe, the forty-seventh problem of Euclid, the sun, moon, stars and comets; the three steps which are emblematical of youth, manhood and age.—Admirably executed was the weeping virgin, reclining on a broken column, upon which lay the book of constitutions. In her right hand she held the pot of incense, the Masonic emblem of a pure heart, and in the left hand a spring of Acacia, the emblem of the immortality of the soul.

Immediately beneath her stood winged Time, with the scythe by his side, which cuts the brittle thread of life, and the hour-glass at his feet, which is ever reminding us that our lives are withering away. The withered and attenuated figures of the Destroyer were placed amid the long and flowing ringlets of the disconsolate mourner. Thus were striking emblems of mortality and immortality blended in one pictorial representation.

It was a spectacle such as Masons never saw before, and in all probability such as the fraternity will never witness again. The brother's name was never known.—*Philadelphia Age.*

☞The Chatanooga Times says a young man in that city, while calling upon a young lady on the Avenue, became deeply interested in the study of astronomy. In order to point out to the lady the exact location of the comet it was necessary to draw up very close to her so as to get her eyes on a range with his, as it were. Just as he had almost succeeded in showing her where the new luminary was, his arm delicately dropped around her waist. She disengaged it with more force than he thought necessary, and sharply observed, "You can't comet over me in this way, sir!" Singular as it may seem the young man has entirely lost his interest in the study of astronomy.

☞An Idaho schoolmarm has introduced a new feature in her school. When one of the girls misses a word the boy who spells it get permission to kiss her. As a result, the girls are fast becoming poor spellers, while the boys are improving.

☞The secret of Chicago's complacency over her desertion by the fire insurance companies may be traced to the fact that any one of her girls could stamp out the next great conflagration that comes along.

STRUCK BY A RATTLESNAKE.

Messrs. D. S. Perkins, Joseph Straley, and John F. Stienrack, a party of Chicago tourists, returned yesterday from a three months' trip through Park, Summit, and Grande counties.

These gentlemen were encamped in Elk Head Mountain, in the North Park, on the 10th of last September. The party arrived in camp late one evening after a day's hunt, and after a hearty supper they lay down in their blankets around the fire, which had been built in the cleft of some large quartz rocks, and all were soon fast asleep. Mr. Straley was awakened in the night by a heavy weight upon his chest. At first he supposed it was his brother's hand, but as it did not move, and becoming nervous and alarmed, he raised his head, and was horrified to find a large mountain rattlesnake coiled upon his chest, with its head nestled down in the centre of the coil. It was nearly daylight, but Mr. Straley was so paralyzed with fear that he could not make a noise, and dared not move. He recovered his presence of mind so far as to be able to draw the blankets over his. This movement startled the reptile, which glided from him to his brother, who was sleeping with him. The snake passed from his chest to his brother's face, when, in a fatal momoment, Henry Straley raised his hand to tear it away. There was a fierce rattle and a loud cry from the half-awakened boy, and the monster buried its fangs in his right hand and a second time in his cheek. There was a horrible scream from Henry Straley as the poor boy jumped to his feet, while the snake glided from the blankets to a large flat rock near the embers of the fire. Mr. Jenkins fired his revolver at the horrible creature, and at the second shot brought it down.

Poor young Straley was soon suffering the most intense agony. His brother at his request, cut out a large portion of the cheek in hopes that the poison had not penetrated very deep, and a tight ligature was bound around the wrist of the bitten hand, which was bathed in cold water. But nothing the horrified young man could do availed to save the poor boy. He died in less than two hours, in the most terrible agony. Had the party been supplied with a plentiful stock of whiskey, his life might have been saved, but they had none with them. The body changed color within three hours after the accident. The young men conveyed the corpse to Fort Steele, whence it was shipped to Chicago for interment. The snake measured four feet in length, and had nine rattles.

☞An exchange tells the following, which we give place to on account of the great moral and physical lesson which it contains. A saucy poodle pup made a dive for a herd of cattle feeding on the commons, and caught an old mother-in-law of a cow by the tail. It was fun at first, but as soon as that purp discovered that his teeth were entangled in the tail, he set up a piteous howl, which somehow made the cow nervous. She struck into a lively gallop and that purp followed. He didn't appear to want to go and was evidently trying to tell her so, but the cow got panicky and probably thinking that the dog was trying to swallow her, she bellowed and increased her speed. She turned a corner suddenly and it proved a momentous moment for that ambitious canine. He brought up with astonishing abruptness on a fence stake, and was buried near where he fell.

☞A traveler in Vermont, stopping at a hotel recently, ordered supper. The meal was a very inferior one, and at its conclusion, which was soon reached, he stepped up to settle for it. "Well," said Boniface, with alacrity, "I hope you had a good supper." "Yes," replied he, musingly, "the supper averaged first rate; the butter was strong and the tea was weak."

☞A man about two-thirds drunk, and his back covered with mud, stopped a policeman on the street and asked to be locked up. "Why, you are able to walk home, aren't you?" asked the officer. "Yes, I could get home all right, but I don't want to, and you wouldn't if you had my wife! Take me down, ole feller, and if she comes inquiring 'round just say I've gone to Toledo on 'portant business."

☞A young man in Fairfield, Iowa, received a letter from his girl last Sunday, and five minutes after reading it, shot himself dead. Every woman in the town would give ten years of her life to know what the letter contained that made the young man feel so.

☞A fashionable but illiterate New York lady, traveling on the Continent, writes to a friend that she has just seen the "museum of iniquities" in Genoa, and she does think it is "perfectly splendid."

☞The Bergen (N. J.) horse-car railroad company, in an advertisement giving its time-table, directs that "curses of all kind should be addressed to Geo. W. Downing, superintendent."

☞A Boston auctioneer has in his possession an umbrella seventy-two years old. It was built in England. Poets are requested to limit their contributions to three stanzas.

☞Alabamians are very prompt in paying debts which have been lost on horse races, but when it comes to settling for pew rent they get mad if they are pushed.

☞An exchange refuses to publish the poem commencing, "I breathe on the face of a maiden," until the editor knows what its author drinks.

☞The Brooklyn Argus reporters are all furnished with numbered badges, like licensed dogs, says the Detroit Free Press.

☞The first daily journal in the world was that of Frankfort-on-the Main, established 1615. It is still issued.

☞Religious intelligence is printed in the London papers under the heading "Preachers for to-morrow."

☞It costs $18 to cane an editor in Dover, N. H.

☞Do not leave implements scattered over the farm, exposed to snow, rain, and frost.

The Journal.

SATURDAY, NOV. 14, 1874.

THE President has appointed Thursday, November 26th, as a day of Thanksgiving throughout the United States.

A CONVENTION of those people who wish to "put God in the Constitution," will be held at Tremont Temple on the 15th and 16th of December. Here is a chance for Prof. Seelye to spread himself.

Now that New York has a new Governor, and a democrat at that, Boss Tweed's friends will undoubtedly renew their efforts to obtain his pardon. But if Tilden should grant it, his chances of re-election would be poor.

SENATOR Edson of Hadley promises to bring the next Legislature to a close by April 1st. He has got a big job on hand, and he had better hire a couple of hands to help him, or he will fall far short of accomplishing the herculean feat.

GOV. TALBOT and his council, with Wm. Gaston, the new governor elect, all with their ladies, have been on a visit to public institutions in western Massachusetts, and to the deaf and dumb asylum at Hartford, this week.

SPRINGFIELD is now talking about its next municipal election. It looks very much as though Mayor Stebbins would be re-elected. There are really few aspirants for his place, for it is beset with financial troubles that are not inviting.

THE defeat of Gen. Butler has been a great blow to that politician. It has spoiled his chances for governor, if he had any left, and he will very likely keep quiet for a time. In two years more he may be up and at his antagonists, for by that time several new things will be likely to happen.

CONSTABLES Maxwell and Skinner have been removed, and the liquor sellers of Hampden county now have a season of peace. Hope Daggett also rejoiceth with exceeding joy, for she can now sit in the light of the deacons of the State street Baptist church unmolested.

THE Grangers are fast playing out. They did not figure at all in the late elections, having been swallowed up in other questions. They can never grow more numerous, but will gradually decrease in numbers till the organization becomes extinct. Such institutions are ephemeral in these days of progress.

LITTLE Rhode Island believes in republicanism yet. On the 3rd she elected her two republican congressman by handsome majorities; and, this week, Mr. Doyle, the republican candidate for mayor of Providence, was re-elected to the position which he has so long and honorably filled, his opponents rallying only a feeble show of opposition, in spite of their loud boasting of strength. Three cheers for Rhode Island.

EVEN independent journals can go too far sometimes in thirst for sensation, and the New York Herald did so, Monday, when it published a full page sensational account of the breaking loose of animals at Central Park on Sunday, and the killing by them of nearly 200 people before they were captured. The names of the victims were given, and every detail written up so that the story was generally believed,—although the last paragraph announced that the whole story was without any foundation of truth. Such doubtful dodges to create a sale of papers are a disgrace to journalism, and will not pay in the long run.

THE friends and neighbors of our new Lieut. Governor, H. G. Knight of Easthampton, made a demonstration at that place Wednesday evening. A train from Williamsburg took 300 people to Easthampton, and a procession was formed which proceeded to Mr. Knight's house and escorted him to the town house where he made a speech, saying some very clever things. Mr. Edson of Hadley and others made speeches, and tall Mr. Gere of the Hampshire Gazette nominated Mr. Knight for governor, to succeed Wm. Gaston. Music, fireworks, ringing of bells and firing of cannon were the relishes of the occasion.

WHY all this tirade against Mr. Dawes, after election? He was not a candidate in the campaign, and the hight of his sinning was in going where the state committee requested him to make speeches. Unfortunately they sent him into Butler's district, and all he said there, at which so many have taken offence, was, that Massachusetts ought to send an unbroken republican delegation to the next congress. Now, some of the republican newspapers declare Mr. Dawes ought not to be elected U. S. senator, and he is pitched into without gloves on general grounds. This kind of treatment is not only unfair, but unjust, as Mr. Dawes has done nothing to deserve it. It is a custom for the state committee to request prominent speakers to address the people in places they may designate, and we have heard no complaint of anything said except the above in Butler's district. If a man is unfitted for U. S senator because he made a stump speech, then we shall not be likely to get a decent senator in the next hundred years. It is conceded that Mr. Dawes is almost invaluable in congress, and Massachusetts will make a sad mistake if it fails to elect him U. S. senator next winter.

☞The late lovely weather is attributed to the democratic victories.

☞Five colored democrats in Arkansas rejoice at republican defeats.

☞Victoria C. Woodhull is seriously ill in the Continental Hotel, Philadelphia.

☞On the first of December the railroad shops at St. Albans will half shut down.

☞The Fall River print works only run on the first three days of each week.

☞Diptheria is prevalent in many places and quite fatal.

☞A Georgia editor has been indicted for playing poker, two cents ante.

☞The paper mills in Seymour, Conn., one excepted, are running on three-quarter time.

☞A Troy woman, seeing her husband walking with another woman, fell on the sidewalk in a fit.

☞Everybody who was disloyal at the South during the war is rejoicing at democratic victories.

☞The prospect of increased employment in most of the cotton mills of the country is brighter.

☞"We pledge ourselves to drink whiskey moderately," is the cardinal precept of an Ohio temperance society.

☞"Charles Honesty" is the name of a convict in the Virginia State Prison. His weakness was horses.

☞The Vermont Senate has voted to return Senator Morrill's back pay money, $4386, to the United States treasury.

☞A gentleman lately in Winona, while eating raw oysters, found in them sixty-one pearls, beside one which he accidentally swallowed.

☞Smuggling goods by the car load across suspension bridge at Niagara has just been stopped, by discovering the way in which it was carried on.

☞A bill has passed the Oregon Senate which provides that husbands and wives without children may be considered divorced by simply ceasing to live together.

☞The Hartford county commissioners have granted over 300 liquor licenses since the first of the month, receiving about $31,000 for them.

☞The house of Allen Mouser at New Holland, Ohio, was burned Thursday last, and $30,000 in greenbacks in his desk were consumed.

☞The New York Commercial says: Won't it seem funny to have Ben. Butler staying at home and reading the news of what they are doing in Congress?

☞A newspaper reporter in Arkansas, who was sentenced to the State prison for horse stealing, applied to his employers "to be continued on the journal as penitentiary correspondent."

☞A Belgian has started an egg farm near Marietta, Ga. He has eight hundred hens and fifty cocks. The business now yields 27,000 eggs and 2120 chickens per annum.

☞A Milwaukee man is bent on going to sea. He has been reading the Enoch Arden class of stories till his soul is fired with an ambition to be wrecked and come home and find his wife married to some other fellow.

☞The Worcester and Nashua railroad pay $3000 to the widow of William Bromwell, who was killed last June at the Central street crossing in Worcester, the accident having been caused by the absence of the flag boy.

☞The body of an unknown man, 60 years old, was found hanging head downwards on the fence of the cemetery in Uxbridge, on Sunday. He apparently caught his ankle between the pickets over the fence, and had evidently been dead a day or two.

☞Vice-President Wilson is willing to stake his life, which is heavy betting, that Massachusetts would in ninety days give 60,000 majority for Republicanism, on any distinct Republican issue against a distinct Democratic issue.

☞Mention is made of a wedding in Indiana on a scale which one seldom expects to encounter. The happy couple together weighed 503 pounds, while fourteen gallons of wine and seventeen kegs of lager beer furnished the marriage table.

☞The Queen of England, it appears, has strictly forbidden any participation in our Centennial by the Royal family, or any member thereof. Such delicacy is, of course, natural. It would scarcely be courteous to the memory of George III.

☞The favorite conundrum in Huntington, Tenn, is: "Why is this town like Heaven?" The answer is, "Because in it there is neither marrying nor giving in marriage." There has not been a marriage in the town for over two years.

☞Geo. H. Reay, for four years the manufacturer of stamped envelopes for the government has failed at New York. When the contract was taken from him and given to the Plimpton company of Hartford, he was unable to sell his valuable machinery used in their manufacture, and this result caused his failure for $250,000. He claims that the postmaster general has treated him unfairly in regard to the contract. By his failure 350 people have been thrown out of work.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

....Tramps are numerous again.

....The streams are unusually low.

....Only eleven days before Thanksgiving.

....The public schools close for Thanksgiving vacation this week.

....Fifteen civil cases were entered in the district court last Saturday.

....A five foot parsnip is one of the prodigies raised by Dr. Ruggles.

....Nearly all election bets have been paid, and the losers are smiling once more.

.... The carpet factory starts up next week under the auspices of a new company.

....J. W. Holland & Co, of Springfield, want agents for the sale of their holiday books. See advertisement.

....A brilliant fair is to open in the vestry of the Catholic church at Thorndike next Wednesday evening, and continue for one week.

....Thirty-two children and three women arrived at the State Primary School Wednesday evening from the Tewksbury Almshouse.

....Rev. Mr. Fullerton occupied the pulpit in Rev. Mr. Greene's church, Springfield, last Sabbath, Rev. Mr. Emerson supplying his place here.

....The Temperance Reform Club met as usual Monday evening, with a fair attendance. The election frost did not entirely kill them.

....Episcopal services will be held at district court room to-morrow evening, at seven o'clock. Rev. J. L. Egbert of Springfield officiating.

....There is to be a social dance at the Antique House, next Wednesday evening, with music by Escott's Quadrille band, and T. A. Holland as prompter.

....There will be Universalist services in the district court room to-morrow at the usual hours of worship. Preaching by the Rev. T. E. St. John of Worcester.

....The Adventists hold meetings in McGilvray Hall, every Sunday, and extend a cordial invitation to all. Preaching tomorrow by H. H. Tucker. Baptism after morning service.

....The December magazines are coming, and now is the time to make your choice of periodicals for next year. You can save money by ordering any of your favorites through this office.

....M. W. French, after laying a granite curbing in front of his premises, has completed the sidewalk by filling in with gravel, and topping off with a layer of granite chips, making a fine walk.

....The business of the constables is not quite over. Constable Lewis of Ware, while looking around our freight depot on Tuesday, discovered four barrels of the fluid and confiscated it. Two belonged to Eugene Lynch of Springfield, and the others to "T" of Palmer.

....The "Nellie Daniels' cornet band" and concert troupe favored our people with a serenade at the depot, Thursday morning, on their way to Ware. The lady cornet player is a first-rate one, and the troupe made a great deal better appearance than any of its class we have seen.

....The Good Templars had a well-filled house at their entertainment, Thursday evening, taking over $35 at the door, and seem to have given good satisfaction to their audience and doing themselves credit. Music was furnished by H. W. Munger, cornet, Fred. Munger, piano, and M. F. Clare of Springfield, violin, and drew forth many encomiums from the audience, being all "first class."

....An agent for the sale of "Centennial Exhibition Stock" and medals is wanted in this part of Hampden County. The stock is sold at $10 a share, and goes in aid of the great centennial exhibition at Philadelphia in 1876,—the 100th anniversary of American Independence. The medals are authorized by Congress, and are sold for $1, $2 and $3 respectively, so as to allow every one to contribute their mite to make this a national triumph.

....Although we cannot have a course of lectures this winter, as do some of our more enterprising neighbors, still we may congratulate ourselves that arrangements have been made to secure one first-class entertainment. Mr. F. Dwight Denny, of Boston, who has won many encomiums from the press of our large cities, and from his select audiences at our fashionable watering places, and elsewhere, has been engaged to give a reading, accompanied by "character sketches" in costume. The date is not yet fixed, but it will probably be during the last week of November or the first of December.

.... A wager was made this week between Otis Griffin and James Brown, by which Brown agreed to draw Griffin from this village to Cushman's hotel in Monson for $5. Wednesday evening they started, and got nearly to the park, when Brown gave out and came back. Then Will Finnerty made his appearance, and offered to draw the man down for $2. As Griffin could not go, George Aspinwall took his place, and rode in triumph to Monson,—time, 2½ hours. Another bet has since been made, of $5, by a young man that he will draw another man in a buggy, over the same route in *one* hour and a half, and the chances are against his winning.

....The driver of G. T. Collins' candy wagon from Holyoke, was overhauled by Constable Palmer on Thursday for overloading his horses, but while the constable was hunting up the witnesses, the man hitched up and started on towards West Brimfield, but Palmer nabbed him again, and brought him back, leaving him and his team at Marcy's livery stable while he went for a warrant. The driver again became impatient and again started off, this time towards Holyoke, only to be brought back and arraigned before the district court. His trial was postponed and once more he started homeward, this time without listening for pursuers, and we hope arrived home safely and with more tender feelings towards his faithful horses.

LUDLOW.

The Cong. society have secured no permanent pastor yet, but have a variety of "supplies."

Ludlow has given her recent centennial committee $300 with which to print the doings of that occasion, and a copy will be given to every family in town.

SOUTH WILBRAHAM.

The political waters which was so rolley and convulsive before election are moderately calm. Now, of course, we have to celebrate our victory as did other towns, and fifty guns more or less were fired the evening after the election. The cheering for C. L. Gardner, our representative elect, was long and loud, and if it was not heard in Palmer it was not because the boys did not do their best to have it. All feel proud of Mr. Gardner's election, and not a few feel we have a *man* to represent us this year, which is more than has been always. The general result in Massachusetts disappointed some, while not a few confidently expected Gaston would be elected, and more or less congressmen from the democratic side.

Our town at the meeting on the 3rd, settled the vexed question of holding future meetings, voting to give the south parish three-fifths of the meetings. The south parish are satisfied and the north should be. The result was a victory for the south.

S. W.

MONSON.

Representative elect D. G. Green and bride are visiting friends in Wisconsin.

The new culvert in front of Barton's block makes a decided improvement in the roadway, as well as a betterment of the common.

The public are anxiously awaiting the unsealing of the bids for the building of the new roads to be built forthwith as ordered by the town.

Rumor has it that the delay in not awarding contracts for the building of the roads is so as to reconsider action of the town in regard to the matter, or put it off till another year.

The matter of a lock-up was before the town for three or four years before one was finally built, and it was ordered to be built at about every town meeting.

It took two or three years to get watering troughs beside the roads in the centre, so parties who are expecting roads to be immediately built had better compute by the rule of three how long it will be before the new roads will be completed and accepted.

Deichman's fancy goods store is a new institution among us, and seems to present many attractive features, both the building and display of goods of which his advertisement in another column speaks more fully.

There were many Gasconades last week Wednesday morning.

The district schools have closed for the fall term.

Nellie Daniels' troupe gave the best music last Wednesday evening that Monson people have listenened to for a long time.

No news from the thieves who broke into the 99 cent store.

The A. O. H., division No. 1, of Monson, occupy Green's Hall on Wednesday evening, Nov. 25th, and Bacon's Orchestra assist on the occasion. J. L. Bacon, prompter.

George W. Burdick is making arrangements to secure ice the coming season in a new and novel manner. He will so arrange that the cakes of ice will slide over the dam down a plank way into a new ice house, and can thus house large quantities in a short time, at comparatively small expense.

John Riley, the *shaver*, who cuts "hair and sich," has renovated his rooms, painting, papering and whitewashing, so they present a neat and tidy appearance.

Eggs are mighty scarce, and are expected to be so till the 25th, when according to "old Prob." the hens will lay mightily.

WARE AND VICINITY.

....Rev. Dr. Perkins exchanged with S. M. Seymour of Brookfield last Sabbath.

....The Main St. crosswalk, opposite the Hampden House, has been widened and otherwise improved.

....The high and grammar schools close next week. The other schools of the village are no longer in session.

....The Newport (R. I.) Journal, under the editorial management of our old friend and classmate, Fred. P. Powers, is received. Thanks.

....Nellie Daniels' Swiss Bell Ringers gave a very creditable entertainment at Music Hall, Thursday evening. The music of the silver cornet band was excellent.

....Rev. J. L. Egbert, rector of the church of the Good Shepherd at West Springfield, will conduct services at Trinity church, on exchange with Rev. Mr. Atwill, to-morrow.

....The Grattan Debating Society give their annual ball, Wednesday evening, 25th inst., at Music Hall, with music by Ware Quadrille Band. Supper at the Hampshire House.

....Seraph Vigeant has been chosen secretary of the St. Jean Baptiste Society in place of A. M. Morin resigned, and J. O. Charlebois ass't. treasurer in place of E. C. Larose.

....Reading of the "Crystal Wave" at the regular meeting of the Temperance Reform club next Monday evening, to be followed probably by brief addresses from members of the club.

....J. Walker & Son have sold out their meat and provision market in Warren, to J. B. Gould, who is carrying on the business at the old stand in Fairbank's block. Mr. Gould is succeeded in his grain and meal business by a Mr. Warren of Deerfield.

....The Denver (Col.) Tribune speaks of Mr. W. S. Morse, the popular money order clerk in the Denver post office, as "the right man in the right place." We are always glad to note the prosperity of our "Ware boys," one of whom is young Morse.

....By referring to our advertising columns it will be noticed that a large stock of carpets, oil cloths, mattings, etc., will be disposed of at Clark's cash store, within the next 15 days at *bottom* prices, having been purchased at a bankrupt sale in Philadelphia.

....Members of the choir connected with the East Cong. church, have recently presented their leading tenor, Mr. Geo. H. Coney, with an elegant chromo, of "Beethoven," as a testimonial of their esteem and kindly regards. Mr. Coney entertains the choir at his residence on Church street this (Saturday) evening.

....The Young Men's Library Association propose to hold a series of fortnightly meetings at their rooms during the winter, for miscellaneous literary exercises, such as original essays, select readings, debates, etc. The first one of the season was held Thursday evening. Fifty new books were added to their library last week.

....C. J. Littlefield of Boston, D. B. Montague of Springfield and Wm. E. Lewis of this town, unite in conducting religious services at Otis next Sabbath. The Sabbath following they will spend with the church at Ware Center, of which Rev. W. G. Tuttle is pastor. A fuller notice of the meetings to be given in our next issue.

....Washington council of select and royal masters elected these officers Tuesday evening: H. M. Coney, T. I. M.; Wm. O Gould, R. I. M.; Elgin R. Foster, I. M. W.; A. Sanford, M. of Ex.; J. W. Robinson, Recorder; John H. Chaffee, M. C.; W. H. Newland, C. G.; J. E. Ripley, C. C.; H. O. Caryl, S.; Rev. E. A. Howard, chaplain; Lyman Taylor, sentinel.

....Very marked improvements in the general appearance of Cottage street, are being made, including the construction of a sidewalk on the north side, and the raising of the highway. L. Hilton & Co's. new cottage house on this street is nearly completed and ready for sale. Charles C. Hitchcock's elegant residence, corner of Church and Cottage street is also approaching completion and will be the finest in that part of the village.

....Eden Lodge, F. and A. M. elected the following officers last Monday evening: Henry F. Barnes, W. M.; Geo S Marsh, S W; Jerome Gates, J W; A Sanford, treas; Edward C Merriam, sec'y; George F Fairbank, S D; Aram Warburton, J D; Edgar H Bassett S S; Asa Brakenridge, J. S; J W Robinson, chaplain; F A Spear, marshal; Charles A. Volk, J S; Sebastian Greudel, tyler. These officers will be installed on Monday evening next by Past Master John W. Robinson.

....Two large boxes and three barrels of clothing have been forwarded, the present week, by members of the Cong. society in this village to Mr. Charles F. Pierce, formerly of Ware, but now residing at Creighton, Neb., who will distribute them to his neighbors and friends, whom he reports in very destitute circumstances. This destitution has been caused by the failure of crops the past season, owing to the ravages of the grasshoppers in that region. Any clothing or funds forwarded to Mr. Pierce will be sure to be wisely used and properly distributed.

....The editor of the Milford Journal published, a few months since, a complete list of all his delinquent subscribers, with the date to which their subscription had been paid, which he termed "The Black List." The result was surprisingly favorable, a large number of the delinquents coming forward promptly, settling up all arrears, and having their names withdrawn from the list of condemned. We notice on *our* subscription book a considerable number of the class above mentioned, some of whom are sadly behind in their payments, but who would dislike exceedingly to have their names published in the JOURNAL.

Hampden County.

The "Courier de Holyoke" promises to be a success, having over 1100 subscribers, and more coming.

L. J. Powers is talked of as a people's candidate for the mayoralty of Springfield, at the next city election.

H. C. Joslyn, a prominent Holyoke builder, has failed with liabilities of $6000.

Cornelius O'Brien's barn at Chicopee was burned Monday evening by an incendiary. Loss $800.

J. A. Freed's new block in Westfield is to be one of the finest business blocks in the town.

Revolution lodge I. O. G. T., are to have a public entertainment, Dec. 2d.

Seven beer wagons were seen in Chicopee Monday morning, instead of the two that came before election.

The Chicopee savings bank has $1,398,230 on deposit, $11,802 of which was put in during last month.

The Dwight manufacturing company are about commencing to run on full time again.

Springfield has three days of Black Crook next week.

☞No need of taking the Graphic for a pictorial now. The Pittsfield Sun is just as well illustrated—with roosters.

☞The Monmouth cotton mill of the Spragues, at Baltic, Conn., has resumed work after a three weeks' suspension, caused by a strike of the mule spinners. A few of the strikers have returned, and fresh spinners will be employed if the rest do not yield.

☞A Dubuque boy has exploited great glory by his skill in charming venomous serpents. Master Maurice Vallandingham, for such is his name—permits the reptiles to twine about him, and their fangs he fears not. He began about a year age with a rattlesnake, and has since made a Laocoon of himself with all the different serpents of the region. He has also set up as a professor, and has a large class of other boys to whom he imparts his secret. Some fine day there will be a funeral in Dubuque and it will not be a snake's funeral either.

☞It is said that the Beecher Tilton suits will soon come to trial.

☞And now a Charlie Ross has been seen passing through Meriden, Conn. Why didn't they stop him?

☞A "bean snapper," in the hands of a playmate, Tuesday evening, destroyed the sight of one eye of a six-year old son Luther E. Wallace of Manchester, N. H.

☞At Salisbury, N. H., last Sunday morning, Eugene H. Couch killed Charles Cushon, by striking him with a club in his father's house. Both were boys about 15 years of age.

☞At Mondovi, Wis., a few days ago, Mr. Lee Hanan, while acting as Chaplain of a Grange, dropped dead in his chair just as he pronounced the word "amen" at the close of a prayer.

☞Public demonstrations of joy, on an extensive scale, over the recent democratic victories, are reported from a number of Southern cities. In Louisiana a day of Thanksgiving is to be appointed.

☞The Woman's Journal declares that Gaston was fraudulently counted in, and suggests a recount. It also asserts that Talbot would not have been defeated if the women had had political expression.

☞Ben Butler, and Judge Poland of Vermont were both opponents of the press when in Congress, and they will have a good chance this winter to meditate upon the folly of "Kicking against the pricks."

☞A careful revision of the vote for Congress in the tenth district, with the correction of several errors in the first reports by telegraph, reduces Prof. Seelye's plurality to 193—not a great deal to spare.

☞A large public meeting was held at Florence Tuesday evening, at which gold medals were presented by the citizens of the Mill River valley to George Cheney, Collins Graves, Jerome Hillman and Myron Day, the heroes of the Williamsburg reservoir disaster.

☞The Thanksgiving proclamation of Gov. Dix of New York is a model of brevity. This is all there is to it, besides the usual official verbiage: "In grateful acknowledgement of the manifold mercies of Almighty God during the past year, it is recommended to the people of this state to observe Thursday the 26th of November inst., as a day of thanksgiving and prayer.

☞In Southbridge, Friday afternoon of last week, the driver of the Southbridge and Charlton stage, while in the act of receiving a sum of money, dropped his pocket-book, containing $75 in bills and scrip, and the wind, which was blowing a gale, scattered the contents in every direction. He succeeded in finding only a few pieces of scrip and a $10 bill, which was picked up half a mile away.

EXPOSED.—Miss Annie D. Montford, a traveling mesmerist, who performed for several nights in Springfield, to crowded houses, has been proved to be a gross fraud, her best subjects having been proved to be paid accomplices.

A TERRIBLE CALAMITY.—A disastrous typhoon occurred on the coast of China a few days ago. A great tidal wave swept upon the land throwing down buildings and destroying life. At Macao and Hong Kong it is estimated that twenty thousand lives were lost, over 10,000 in Macao alone. Four days after, the stench of decaying bodies was such that a plague was feared. Four thousand bodies were gathered together, tar poured upon them and then burned. There were many Europeans among the lost.

A GOOD BOOK.—A new law book for the people under the title of "The Political, Personal and Property Rights of a citizen of the United States" by Theophilus Parsons, L. L. D., late professor in the Harvard law school, is being published by S. S. Scranton & Co., of Hartford, Ct. The book is designed to meet a want long felt by many of the American people. The contents are so arranged that any desired knowledge can be obtained at once, without perusing half of the volume to obtain it. The high standing of its author is a guarantee for the correctness of its statements which are concise and to the point.

"NED NEVINS"—Rev. Henry Morgan's new book "Shadowy Hand—Life Struggles," has awakened a new demand for his previous book "Ned Nevins, the News Boy." Twenty thousand of "Ned Nevins" were sold the first year. The twenty-fifth thousand has just been issued at the low price of $1. Liberal discount to agents and the trade. Mr. Morgan has paid for his Church by "Ned Nevins" and "Fast Young Men." Desirous of inspiring every boy in the land with Ned's motto: "If I do nuthin' wrong somethin' good 'ill come to me," and with his own motto in "Shadowy Hand": "With God to speed the right, there is no such word as fail," Mr. Morgan has put the price within the reach of all. "Shadowy Hand," though published but a few weeks, has reached its fifth thousand. Samples of either book to agents, by mail, 75 cents. Address, Morgan Chapel, Boston, Mass.

A HARD LOT.—Mrs. Laura Williams killed herself a few days ago at Holyoke by jumping from the fourth story window of the Samosett House, where she had been placed to await transportation to the insane asylum.

"A year ago she went from New York to Holyoke to live with her son and daughter. They sent her to another relative in Vermont, where she became a pauper. The son, while on a visit there, was arrested for bringing a pauper into the state, and compelled to take her back to Holyoke, where he put her in an asylum. Next a state agent, deciding that she belonged to Vermont, sent her again into that state, and again she was returned. The asylum authorities refused this time to receive her, whereupon the old woman relieved them all of any further anxiety on the subject. But the state had to bury her.

GOOD ADVICE.—When you use a postal card, write the address the first thing. Tons of postal cards without any address are destroyed in the Dead Letter Office, because people write their message first, and then forget to address the card.

Caution!—In our changeable climate, coughs, colds, and diseases at the throat, lungs and chest will always prevail. Cruel consumption will claim its victims. These diseases, if attended to in time, can be arrested and cured. The remedy is *Dr. Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry.*

No excuse for being sick.—No person can use Roesbec's German Syrup without getting immediate relief and cure. We have the first case of coughs, colds or consumption, or any disease of the throat and lungs, yet to hear from that has not been cured. We have distributed every year for three years over 250,000 sample bottles by druggists in all parts of the United States. No other manufacturer of medicine ever gave their preparations such a test as this. Go to G. H. Appleton, druggist, at the post-office, and get a bottle for 75 cents and try it—two doses will relieve you. Sample bottles 10 cents each.

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BORN.

At Chicopee, 10th, a son to Charles W. Blakeslee.—A daughter to Gilbert Billings.

At Ware, Oct. 21st, a son (Melzot Hnut) to VIRGIL BATES.

MARRIED.

At Hardwick, 11th, by Rev. J. H. Moore of Warren, TIMOTHY PAIGE and NELLIE M. BROWNING.

At Palmer, 10th, MR. NATHAN E. NOBLE of West Springfield and MISS LOUISA G. DELMAGE of Palmer, by Rev. E. A. Goddard.

At Waltham, 5th, by B. B. Johnson, Esq., JOHN B. SHERIDEN of Watertown, and JULIA M. THOMPSON of Palmer.

At Monson, 4th, by Rev. C. B. Sumner, D. G. GREEN (representative elect) and EMILY I. FAY, both of Monson.

DIED.

At Ware, 8th inst., THOMAS ELLIS, 81 years 6 months.

At Greenwich, 29th ult., MRS. MARY P., 55, wife of Rev. EDWARD P. BLODGETT.

At Hardwick, 24th ult., WILLIE F., 6 months, infant child of FRANCIS P. and JULIA ANN WEEKS.

At Belchertown, 10th, SUSIE DWIGHT, 20 months, daughter of GEORGE H. B. and NANCY H. GREEN.

At Peru, 31st ult., ELISHA ROCKWELL, 89, father of JUDGE JARVIS ROCKWELL of Adams.

At Monson, 5th, ROSELLA M. HARRIS, aged 5 months.

At Duckville, 1st, JOHN GRIFFIN, 55.

At Stafford, 7th, MARIE H. CHAPIN, 54.

At Three Rivers, 7th, SEMPRONIA MIXTER, 80.

At Wales, 7th, SARAH SMITH, 60.

At Stafford, Oct. 27th, MARY E. PACKARD, 26.

At Monson, 6th, ARIEL ROGERS, 76. Mr. R. has been a resident of the town for the past 44 years.

At Holyoke, 4th, WILFRED H., 4, son of A. C. Newton.

At Shutesbury, 7th, ALICE SOUTHWICK, formerly of Pelham, 93.

BROKE into the enclosure of the John M. Converse farm, Oct. 25th, a three year old colt, for which the owner is requested to pay charges and take away. W. H. BUSH.

Palmer, Nov. 11th, '74. tf37

FOR SALE AT COST.—A complete set, (48 numbers) of Appleton's "Picturesque America," unbound. Will be sold at publisher's price, *for cash*. In perfect order as received from the press. Can be seen at JOURNAL office, Palmer. tf37

FOUND.—Came on to my premises Thursday, Nov. 7th, a four year old bay colt, three white feet, star on forehead, and white strip on nose. The owner is requested to prove property, pay charges, and take it away.

C. E. EDSON.

Wilbraham, Nov. 11. 1874. *3w37

CARPETS! CARPETS! !

OIL CLOTH AND MATTINGS.

$,000 worth bought at a Bankrupt Sale and *must* be sold.

Sale to commence Nov. 14, and to continue (15 days) at

CLARK'S CASH STORE, Ware. 3t-37.

WANTED.—Ten men, from 25 to 30 years of age, to sell my books for Christmas. Must be bright, wide awake men, willing to work hard. Those having experience in selling goods preferred. A liberal salary will be paid to those who will commence at once.

Address, giving age, experience and salary wanted,

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SHOES, SHOES AND GAITERS,

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Monson, Nov. 14, 1873. 4w37

CATHOLIC FAIR.

A Catholic Fair will open in the basement of the new

CATHOLIC CHURCH,

THORNDIKE, MASS.,

On the evening of WEDNESDAY, Nov. 18, at 6 o'clock, p. m., and will continue for one week.

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On its breast serenely pictured
Floating cloud and skirting tree.

And I thought, "O human spirit!
Strong and deep, and pure and blest,
Let the stream of my existence
Blend with thine and find its rest!"

I could die as dies the river,
In that current deep and wide;
I would live as lives its waters,
Flashing from a stronger tide!

GENTLE REMINDERS.

A stern old school teacher used to apply a cane to the more fleshy part of a forgetful pupil, by way, as he said, of a "gentle reminder." We fancy the congregation alluded to in the following anecdote must have felt they were receiving a similar castigation:

Rev. Mr. Adams, of Leominister, was an eccentric character. A neighboring minister, a mild, inoffensive man, with whom he was about to exchange, said to him, knowing the extreme bluntness of his character, "You will find some panes of glass broken in the pulpit window, and possibly you may suffer from the cold. The cushion, too, is in a bad condition; but I beg of you not say anything to my people on the subject; they are poor," etc.

"O, no; O, no;" said Mr. Adams.

But ere he left home, he filled a bag with rags, and took it with him.

When he had been in the pulpit a short time, feeling somewhat incommoded by the too free circulation of air he deliberately ook from the bag a handful or two of rags and stuffed them into the window. Towards the close of his discourse, which was more or less upon the duties of a people towards their clergyman, he became very animated, and purposely brought down both fists with a tremendous force upon the pulpit cushion. The feathers flew in all directions, and the cushion was pretty much used up.

He instantly checked the current of his thought, and simply exclaiming, "Why, how these feathers fly!" proceeded with his sermon.

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A GREAT TELEGRAPHIC FEAT.

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OBJECTION TO TWINS.—Some amusing incidents occur among travelers by rail, and the following we can vouch for: One day last week a gentleman of Concord, N. H., was riding over the Eastern railroad to Boston, when a lady entered at one of the stations with a child under one arm and a dog under the other. The car being well filled, she made for the seat where the gentleman was sitting alone, and was proceeding to stow herself, child and dog, into the vacant seat, when the gentleman, who has a great aversion to dogs, blandly remarked to the lady: "Madame! I have no objection to one baby in this seat, but I have the most decided objection to twins." It is perhaps needless to say that the lady petulantly moved on to find a seat for herself and dog.

☞The most artless fashion editor yet heard from is the Western young woman who closed her remarks one day by saying that she didn't know any more then, but was going to church the next day and would learn something.

☞A Vermont Sunday-school went on an excursion the other day, and, according to the Rutland Herald, it returned looking "joyous," which is an ugly looking word to apply to a Sunday-school.—Boston Globe.

☞Isaac Adams, the printing press man, has conceived the novel idea of raising a forest in his native village, East Moltonborough, N. H., and has purchased the entire title of the little place.

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Two maidens sat in loving mood,
With eye-lids drooping low;
And one was plump and one was lean—
The last was full of woe.

She wanted cheeks of rounded mould,
And asked the younger, there,
To tell her how, with magic art,
To make them full and fair.

Then the other laughed with merry glee,
For she knew the secret well;
She raised her eyes with a modest blush,
And the tale essayed to tell.

"Of one's hair, the whole ten parts,
Arranged in simple coil;
Of quiet dress as many parts,
Nor let the passions boil.

"Of independence, strong and deep,
Take measure, running o'er;
Leave out all worry, all excess—
'Twill make them rise the more.

"And when the evening hour descends,
Don't dress for route or ball;
Don't sigh for beaux or redowas,
Disdain the baubles all.

"Stir up the mind with healthy thought;
Cleanse folly all away;
Mix well with juice of sparkling mirth,
Let laughter rule the day.

"Of rosy sleep take draught on draught,
Let inspiration soar;
Forsake the world's unnatural guild,
And live with nature more."

A DYING MAN'S STORY.

FROM NOTES BY HIS PHYSICIAN.

When I was young I had a friend whom I loved better than life itself—better than anything but Grace Claussen. He was named Benjamin Redburn, and we had been schoolmates, and were now together in the great importing house of Claussen Brothers. He was a dashing, splendid, handsome fellow. I quite a Quaker, and no beauty, but we were seldom apart. I introduced him first to Grace Claussen, and I thought he understood that my greatest hope in life was to make her my wife some day. Perhaps he did not. My father and Mr. Claussen had been dear friends, and the old gentlemen liked me. There was nothing to prevent me from making my way in the world, and offering Grace a home and a portion worthy of her; and I thought she liked me, and knew of my love for her. I was glad that she liked Ben, and never a bit jealous when she spoke of his good looks to me. I loved to see them talk together, and hear him say how sweet she was. I fancied he meant to tell me that he was pleased with my choice.

The happiest part of one's life is always that which makes the poorest story. The days passed on very quietly; we were often together—Grace, Ben, Grace's cousin Rose and I. We took walks and went to hear plays together. We sang all the songs in that pretty music room in the Claussens' house; we talked over wonderful plans, and built magnificent castles in the air. We were always to be together—all four of us. I believed that Grace and I would belong to each other, and that Rose would marry Ben. What the others believed I do not know. It seemed to me then that they thought as I did.

All this went on for a long time. Ben made the first break in it. A cousin of his came to our town from Ireland—a fellow who spent money fast, and had a way with him that made me shun his society. He thought more of himself than was quite bearable; or rather he expressed his egotism more plainly than most people do, and so offended those who had sense enough to veil theirs more closely.

Ben was constantly his companion, and so we fell apart; not that I cared less for him, but that I felt that he did not care so much for me. Soon also I found that Grace and Rose were in a measure parted from me. I often found them absent from home, driving or rowing, or at some place of amusement with Ben and his cousin.

There was some talk at our place about Ben. Prudent clerks shook their heads, and said that he drank too much. Others asked me whether it were true that Miss Grace Claussen had engaged herself to him. I used to reply that I was not Miss Claussen's confessor; but the question wounded me as the stab of a knife might. I now believed that she had given Ben her love; and, though I did not wonder at it, for I knew how superior Ben was in appearance and manner to myself, I had fancied once that Grace liked me best. At last I resolved to ask him the question, and if it were true that he had won her heart, to do my best to forget her, or at least to endeavor to hide my heart from her forever.

I never shall forget the moment. I had met him on his way towards her house. He was dressed for some evening entertainment, and had a boquet in his hand that I supposed he intended to present her.

As I talked to him, he looked down upon it, with his black lashes sweeping his crimson cheek, and the dimples coming and going at the corners of his mouth. At last I said, "Ben they say you are going to marry Grace. Is it true?"

He looked at me then in a startled sort of way.

"Jack," he cried, "you—you wouldn't mind much if it were so?"

"Is it so, then?" I asked.

"I hope so," said he. "She hasn't said No."

"God bless you both," I said; and I meant that from my soul.

"You are the best fellow that ever lived!" said Ben.

But I was not. I could not be heartily glad that my dearest friend had won the sweetest girl in the world away from me. I could only promise myself that I would never let either of them know how I suffered. I shook hands with Ben, and went away.

I thought then that I must die soon, but I had not learned how much a man can live through. The months passed on drearily enough, but I was no more likely to die than I had been. I worked hard, and was spoken of as a steady young man who would do well, by the old clerks of the store. Of Ben they began to speak doubtfully. He spent too much money, and had been led into wild ways by his Irish cousin, they said. But the talk could scarcely have reached the ears of old Mr. Claussen; or if it had, he gave no credit to it; for when the first snow lay on the ground I heard that Grace and Benjamin were to be married in a fortnight. I thought that I should feel no worse for that news, but I did. The whole room, desk and packages and clerks, and all began to swim before me. I heard a noise like the roaring of the sea, and I knew that if I did not get away I should have them telling how Jack Harrison fainted when he heard that Grace Claussen had jilted him. I got to my feet and walked out of the room pretty steadily. I went straight up to the loft where packages were stored, and there sat down on one, and knew no more about it.

That was five o'clock. An hour later I came to myself, and found that I was alone in the building. Every one had gone for the night, and the doors were locked, and I might have made what noise I chose without being heard outside. It was not pleasant, but, after all, no harm was done. I could make myself comfortable for the night in Mr. Claussen's office, where beside the great safe and the pretentious desk, all pigeon holes and drawers, stood a great arm chair, and a very cosy sofa.

Thither I went, and on the sofa I threw myself down, and soon slept soundly. I dreamt of Grace, as I had done every night for a long time. I dreamt that she came to me in tears and kissed me. The touch of her lips in my dreams seemed to awaken me. I started to a sitting posture and listened.

There was a sound below—a little grating sound, stealthy, yet sharp. In a moment more I heard a door open and shut, and a step on the stairs. The truth flashed upon me—burglars had entered the building. I had no weapon with me. I did not know how many were approaching, and I had never boasted of any peculiar strength or prowess. I certainly would not have admitted myself to be a coward. I determined to conceal myself until I had discovered with whom I had to deal, and drew back into the shadow of a projecting window, with my eyes fixed on the door.

At this door, in a moment more, a figure entered—tall, broad-shouldered, erect, gentlemanly. So much the moonlight told me as it fell through the window panes. The figure looked familiar. The next instant the gas was lit, and I saw it was Benjamin Redburn. My blood curdled in my veins; my heart stood still. In a state of horrible suspense, for which I have no words, I noticed his movements. I saw him go to Mr. Claussen's desk and file the lock away. I saw him take from thence safe keys and open the safe; I saw him take certain rolls of notes and count them with the trembling fingers and frightened eye of a thief unused to his trade, and then transfer them to his pocket. Just in the act, my hand came down upon his shoulder.

"Ben," I said; "O, Ben, can it be that you are such a man as this!"

He turned and grappled with me; but when he saw who had come upon him, he stood quite still.

"How did you come here?" he asked.

"I have been locked in," I said; "O, Ben—Ben."

"Come," he said trying to laugh; "what does it matter? I'm going to marry Grace next week. The money will be hers. I'm in difficulties, Jack. I owe a thousand pounds—debts of honor, and other things. Be a good fellow. Clear out, and say nothing. Help yourself to the governor's money. I give you leave. I've only taken enough for the debt."

"Don't insult me!" I said. "I'll not bear that!"

"What are you going to do?" he asked, hoarsely. "If you expose me, I'll use my pistol. I have one here. Your life will not be safe if you call for help, and I'm more than your match in strength, as you perfectly well know."

"You may kill me, Ben," I said; "but you will only bring detection on yourself. You deserve that richly; but you have been my friend for many years. I've loved you as a brother; and Grace is to be your wife. Restore that money to the safe, and I will say nothing of all this, I promise you that, Ben."

"By heavens, I can't?" "I must have the money—I must. I'm desperate, Jack."

"I shall not let you rob Mr. Claussen," I said. My life is not such a very precious thing. Give me that money."

"I shall not do anything of the kind," he replied. "I have committed myself thus far, and it is too late to draw back."

"Indeed it is not," said I earnestly. "I swear by all that is sacred, not a word of this night's work shall pass my lips."

"But I must have the money. I shall be forever ruined in reputation if I do not pay debts of honor."

"You had better be ruined in the estimation of your fast companions than in your own conscience, Ben."

He replied not for a few moments, and I thought I had gained the victory.

"By heavens, I must have this money," he presently said, "let the consequences be what they may."

"You shall not leave this place with those notes," I determinedly replied.

"We shall see!" he said fiercely; and a gleam of passion shot from his eyes.

I returned his gaze, but it was simply of firm decision to do my duty.

"Come, Ben; let the better man into your heart, now, and return the money."

He had turned a white face toward the door as I spoke: and as I ceased, he suddenly took the roll of notes from his breast, crammed them into my hands and fled.

Surprised at this sudden surrender I stood clutching the money in my fingers and staring after him, when another figure darkened the door, and a policeman stood before me.

You can guess the rest. I was arrested for burglary.

There was every proof against me. My assertion that I had found a burglar at the safe and taken the money from him, was regarded as an absurd falsehood. I would not betray Benjamin for the sake of our friendship, and for the sake of his betrothed, I kept the secret. I almost hoped that he would not let me suffer for his crime; but he remained silent throughout the trial.

I heard of his wedding, and of his departure on a bridal tour, and I said, "God keep Grace from ever knowing this, and God forgive Benjamin."

After that I went, as the law ordained, to live for years an outcast from the society of honest men—seeing only felons and their jailors—knowing myself scorned by the people I most respected—knowing that never while I lived could I be restored to my former place in the world, or in the hearts of those who had been my friends.

So it has proved. Yet, if I had made Grace happy, I should have felt that all was well.

When I was free once more, a great longing urged me to see Benjamin again. I thought, that he, at last, knew of my innocence, and of the sacrifice I had made for him. Thither I went one evening, and found him in his study. He knew me, but did not give me his hand. He offered me money. I did not take it; I could not to save myself from starving. And he told me that it was best that a man who had been where I had been should not come to his house again.

"I shall not trouble you," I said. "You've no right to say that I know nothing. I deny it. Good night."

So the door clasped upon me. I went away through the long green garden. At its gate a woman was standing; she turned toward me. In the moonlight I saw a wan, worn face, but I knew it was what Grace's had faded to.

She called me by name, "Jack Harrison," and put her hand upon my arm. There we stood face to face.

"You've come," she said.

"Not to trouble you," I answered.

Her hand closed on mine.

"Jack," she said, "a woman cannot be a man's wife without learning him by heart. There's a mystery between you two. He fears you; you will tell me why?"

"No," I said—"No, Grace Redburn."

She clutched me tighter.

"It's just as well," she said. "I know you were innocent. I know it; I did not then. I've come at the truth somehow. As far as I go you are avenged. I jilted for you a handsome man, and I've found out that his heart is the heart of Satan. O, what a life! I've been insulted by word and deed! My heart went back to its old love long ago, Jack. I can tell you now that our youth is over, although you may despise me for it."

I may have been wrong, but I could not help it. I took the poor hands, so hot and trembling, in mine, and kissed Ben. Redburn's wife upon her lips; and I said (no matter what) a few wild words, best not repeated, and went away again, never to see her any more. I had not hated Ben. for his conduct toward me; I had clung to my love through all. But when I learned that he ill-used her, and made her life miserable, I cursed him. I'm trying to feel that I forgive him now—trying hard.

A LONESOME PLACE.

The life of the keepers of the Farallon light, on the California coast, is singularly lonely and monotonous. Their house is built somewhat under the shelter of the rocks, but they live in what to a landsman would seem perpetual storm; the ocean roars in their ears day and night; the boom of the surf is their constant and only music; the wild scream of the sea-birds, the howls of the sea lions, the whistle and shriek of the gale, the dull threatening thunder of the vast breakers, are the dreary and desolate sounds which lull them to sleep at night, and assail their ears when they awake. In the winter months even their supply vessel, which for the most part is their only connection with the world, is sometimes unable to make a landing for weeks at a time. Chance visitors they see only occasionally, at that distance at which a steamer is safe from the surf, and at which a girl could not even recognize her lover. The commerce of San Francisco passes before their eyes, but so far away that they cannot tell the ships and steamers which sail by them voiceless and without greeting; and of the events passing on a planet with which they have so frail a social tie, they learn only at long and irregular intervals. The change from sunshine to fog is the chief variety in their lives; the hasty landing of supplies is the great event in their months. They cannot even watch the growth of trees and plants; and to a child born and reared in such a place, a sunny lea under the shelter of rocks is probably the ideal of human felicity.

RICH WITHOUT MONEY.—Many a man is rich without money. Thousands of men with nothing in their pockets are rich. A man born with a good sound constitution, a good heart, good limbs, and a pretty good headpiece, is rich. Good bones are better than gold; tough muscles better than silver; and nerves that flash fire and carry energy to every function are better than houses or land. It is better than a landed estate to have the right kind of father or mother. Good breeds and bad breeds exists among men as really as among herds and horses. Education may do much to check bad tendencies or to develop good ones but it is a greater thing to inherit the right proportion of faculties to start with. The man is rich who has a good disposition—who is naturally kind, patient, cheerful and hopeful.

LITTLE GREAT MEN.—It is a remarkable thing that the greatest men in history have been of small stature. Certainly, from all experience, height of persons has no influence on the mental faculties. The chances seem to be that smallness of size, in fact at times, a little lameness is advantageous. The reason for this is tolerably plain. Tall and robust men are apt to devote themselves, or at least derive so much enjoyment from boisterous pursuits, as to be rather indifferent to any speciality in mental culture. Men of small stature, and perhaps weak health, are, on the contrary, driven to mental occupation. Studying hard in their several vocations, they rise to distinction. A comforting reflection this for young men who have the misfortune to labor under personal infirmities.

☞A Washington lady, upon the marriage of her daughter, gave her intended son in-law three dollars in a sealed envelope with which to fee the minister. The enterprising youth abstracted two-thirds of the amount and delivered the remaining one dollar to the preacher. Now, with a commencement like this what chance has that mother-in-law?

☞An Episcopal clergyman who rather likes a good joke was engaged to read the service for a brother minister, and was hurrying to church a little belated on Sunday morning. A friend, struck by his uncommon speed, inquired, "Sir, why so fast?" "In order," said he, "that he who runs may read."

☞That young man who had the audacity to tell a certain person that they hadn't got a second shirt to their back, forgot to say that he would not have had even one if his mother hadn't took in washing.

☞Why is a beefsteak like a locomotive? It's not of much account without it's tender.

LEARN A TRADE.

I never look at my old steel composing rule that I do not bless myself that, while my strength lasts, I am not at the mercy of the world. If my pen is not wanted I can go back to my type case and be sure to find work; for I learned the printer's trade thoroughly—newspaper work, job work, book-work and press-work. I am glad I have a good trade. It is a rock upon which the possessor can stand firmly. There is health and vigor for both body and mind in an honest trade. It is the strongest and surest part of the self-made man. Go from the academy to the printing office, or to the artizan's bench, or, if you please, to the farm—for, to be sure, true farming is a trade, and a good one at that. Lay thus a sure foundation, and after that branch off into whatever profession you please.

You have heard, perhaps, of the clerk who had faithfully served Stephen Girard from boyhood to manhood. On the twenty-first anniversary of his birthday he went to his master and told him his time was up, and he certainly expected important promotion in the merchant's service. But Stephen Girard said to him:

"Very well. Now go and learn a trade."

"What trade, sir?"

"Good barrels and butts must be in demand while you live. Go and learn the cooper's trade; and when you have made a perfect barrel bring it to me."

The young man went away and learned the trade, and in time brought to his old master a splendid barrel of his own make.

Girard examined it, and gave the maker two thousand dollars for it, and then said to him:

"Now, sir, I want you in my counting-room; but henceforth you will not be dependent upon the whim of Stephen Girard. Let what will come you have a good trade always in reserve."

The young man saw the wisdom and understood.

Years ago, when the middle-aged men of to-day were boys, Horace Greeley wrote:—

"It is a great source of consolation to us that when the public shall be tired of us as an editor, we can make a satisfactory livelihood at setting type or farming; so that while our strength lasts ten thousand blockheads, taking offence at some article they do not understand, could not drive us into the poor house."

And so many a man becomes truly independent.

GERMAN MERCHANTS.

Mr. Joseph Medill, in one of his foreign letters, says a failure among German merchants, especially retail dealers, is a rare occurrence. The reasons are, as before stated, an almost total absence of the speculative, reckless, gambling spirit which actuates American business men, as is shown in purchasing comparatively little on credit, selling goods for cash, and hence avoidance of debts and many unnecessary losses, and, lately, close personal attention to business, strictest economy in expense, and a style of family living and expenditure in exact consonance with their net profits and income. The German merchant borrows much less than the American from banks in proportion to the extent of the stock of goods he carries, because he puts a larger per cent. of his own capital in the business, and sells comparatively little on credit; hence he has little interest to pay. His standing is, either to have the goods on his shelves or in his pocket in the shape of money. Fires are so rare in Germany, on account of the careful manner in which houses are constructed and stores are watched, that insurance is merely nominal, and a merchant is rarely burned out or disturbed by fires. Insurance companies in Germany make it a rule not to pay over two-thirds or three-fourths of the value of the property consumed—the object being to secure the utmost care and vigilance on the part of the insured, and to prevent and repress all tendency to incendiary fires. The limited liability is a stipulation in the policies. It works well.

MORE WOMEN THAN MEN.—There are 900,000 more women than men in Great Britain. Many of these superfluous ladies are gentlewomen, to whom marriage is an impossibility. To provide for these an experiment is in progress. Ladies are taking servants' places, with a strong person attending for a few hours daily to do the roughest of the work, and they are acting as cook, kitchen-maid, dairy-maid, ladies' maid and upper house maid with perfect success. They are said to require far less waiting upon than ordinary servants, having nothing whatever done for them except their floors scoured and grates cleansed. This looks like the presage of a brighter day for the slaves of Bridget and Gretchen. Let our American fine ladies follow the example of their English sisters, and elevate housework to the dignity of a fine art, where it belongs.

THE ORIGIN OF "GROG."—Until the time of Admiral Vernon, the British sailors had their brandy or rum served out to them unmixed with water. The plan was found to be attended with inconvenience on some occasions, and the admiral therefore ordered that in the fleet he commanded the spirits should be mixed with water before it was given to the men. The innovation at first gave great offence to the sailors, and rendered the commander very unpopular. The Admiral at the time wore a grogham coat and was nicknamed "Old Grog." This name was afterward given to the mixed liquor he compelled them to take, and it has hence universally obtained the name of grog.

REASONS FOR DESERTION.—Last year 743 soldiers were sentenced for desertion from the British army. Some of the reasons given for desertion by the men are curious. Fifty-seven were annoyed by comrades or harshly treated by non-commissioned officers and others; 44 married without leave, or had "love affairs"; 87 were led astray by drink; 229 deserted from dislike to the army; 81 were persuaded by comrades or bad company; 64 alleged refusal of leave as the cause; 29 deserted to better themselves; 30 went on sprees and did not return; 43 were tired of the army; 18 deserted on account of whims and folly; and 32 gave no cause.

☞The band played "Little Brown Jug" at the prohibitory ratification meeting in Worcester.

The Journal.

SATURDAY, NOV. 21, 1874.

IT was the time for the annual meteoric showers last week Friday night, but nobody appears to have seen any. This meteoric business is some like politics, mighty uncertain.

MR. and Mrs. Fred Grant have arrived at the executive mansion, and been accorded a reception by the President and elite of Washington. They will spend their winter leisure under that hospitable roof, and keep the old folks company.

REPORTS from the coal regions of Pennsylvania indicate a growing lawlessness, which is fostered by the fact that so many of the perpetrators of crime are able to escape punishment. Numerous murders and assaults are reported, but no arrests have been made.

PROF. Marsh of Yale college, with a party, went west to unearth the bones and other curiosities in the fossil reigons near the Black Hills, but alas for their anticipated pleasure, the Indians took them for a party of gold hunters and refused them admission to their country.

ARKANSAS is again in a broil over her governors, and this time because Smith, who was elected Lieut. Governor, claims that he was entitled to the chair upon Baxter's abdication. He calls the General Government to sustain him in his demands, but receives very little enconragement from the people, and will have probably less from the President.

THE vandals who would rob Boston of its only breathing place by allowing the demands of trade to encroach upon the glorious Common, are receiving a pretty severe rebuke from the citizens generally, who believe in keeping that historic ground free from all encroachments, at least until the city gets its proposed "Central Park," in the suburbs.

MORMONS have fairly established themselves in Massachusetts. They have a chapel at Douglas, in Worcester County, but have not yet set up the practice of polygamy. The State Constables have an eye on the institution, but as the incoming Legislature has an eye on the Constabulary, Mormonism is likely to endure longer than these officers.

THE trial of the Rev. Glendenning of Jersey City before the ministerial tribunal, has been conducted with closed doors, and has developed some new evidence, which shows conclusively that either the minister or his victim has been guilty of deliberate falsehood, as she on her death bed declared that he, and he only was the father of her child, while he on the other hand denies it, and further endeavors to make out that her character was extremely bad, and that she had been led away and ruined before he knew her. The case grows more complicated and mysterious the more it is probed into.

THE Boston Globe and some other papers are moving for a new political party, to be called "The People's Reform Party," as if that would be a cure for all the ills that the old parties are heir to. There are several objections to the suggestion. First, its name is long enough to kill it; second, whoever knew a new party that was not immediately straddled by every worn-out politician and office-seeker in the country? If the Republican party has lost some of its virtue it is easier to recover it than for its dissatisfied members to set about building up a new organization, that will surely be infected with the class referred to.

THE accounts from Nebraska of the terrible suffering caused by the devastation of the grasshoppers the past summer, are enough to call forth the sympathy and substantial aid of the more fortunate people of the East. In some places the people are almost starving, but their greatest need is clothing. Settlers have been unable by reason of the failure of their crops, to buy the necessary clothing, children are naked, women in rags, and men with but scanty clothing, and that, too, with cold winter close at hand. When we consider that the State of Nebraska alone has a larger area than all New England, we can see what a wide-spread desolation has been caused by the plague.

MASSACHUSETTS will have a centennial celebration next year. It will be one hundred years the 19th of next April since the battle of Lexington, and a century the 17th of June since the battle of Bunker Hill. Concord will have re-erected the old north bridge, where the brave resistance to the British was made, and will have her monument ready to mark the spot which has made that patriotic town so famous in the opening struggle of the American Revolution. The Legislature has already authorized the towns of Lexington and Concord in their corporative capacity to appropriate money for the erection of monuments and for the proper observance of the 19th of April. Lexington is preparing statues of John Hancock and Samuel Adams to be unveiled on that day. A century ago those sturdy patriots were concealed in the house of the Rev. Jonas Clarke in Lexington, a price having been set upon their heads by George the Third, as the only persons whose names were excepted from the offer of pardon to the so-called rebels if they would return to their allegiance. The Bunker Hill Monument Association will celebrate the centennial of the struggle on that eminence in an appropriate manner, and Hon. Chas. Deveus, Jr., will deliver the oration.

☞The way to succeed in politics—avoid regular nominations.

☞Grapes are still two cents a pound at Oakland, California.

☞It is now proposed in England to establish a college for organists.

☞Women are still fighting for places on the Boston school committee.

☞The starving people in Nebraska are living on baked squash and pumpkin.

☞Those who are sound on the currency want some sound in the currency.

☞The Lowell Journal says that what licked the republicans was the liquor.

☞The republican losses in New York and Michigan are attributed to Talbot's veto.

☞The Governor of Newfoundland is taking steps to prevent the extermination of the seals.

☞A weak solution of tar and water is recommended for use by bald-headed men, to bring back the capillary glory.

☞A petrified butterfly was found in a Dubuque quarry the other day, and all the delicate outlines as perfect as in life.

☞The State Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry holds its 2d annual meeting at Worcester, begining on Tuesday, the 8th of December.

☞The Boston Journal urges the adoption of a local option liquor law, giving to each town and city the right to say whether it will grant licenses, or not.

☞Mr. Walker of Fort Dodge, Iowa, was recently somewhat surprised to receive his two-year-old baby by express, duly billed and labelled, from his wife at Des Moines.

☞Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper having reached its thousandth number, the event is commemorated by presenting to its patrons a beautiful engraving, entitled "Meditation."

☞The free lovers of Valcour Island deny that their community has failed. They say that some of the members will remain together during the winter, and that in the spring numerous converts will join them.

☞It is said that Judge Colt will succeed Chester W. Chapin as president of the Boston and Albany railroad. But why should Mr. Chapin vacate the presidency? He is good for a number of years yet.

☞Mrs. John Mulvaney was fatally burned at Baltimore, Tuesday, by the explosion of a gallon can of gasoline. She was pouring the liquid on the stove fire when the can burst, burning her hands and head in a frightful manner.

OUR annual Thanksgiving comes next Thursday. The turkeys are ready and waiting, the pumpkin pies are baking, the sweet-meats and other fixings are in preparation, and all the folks are coming home to this national feast and festival.

No prospect of a speedy trial of the Beecher-Tilton suit, and, in fact, but very little chance of its ever being brought to a fair trial. Beecher's lawyers are delaying the suit, in order to have Beecher's suit against Moulton brought to trial first, if possible, so that if they gain that case Moulton's evidence against Beecher may be weakened or rendered worthless.

THE Northampton Gazette and Greenfield Gazette, the weekly Bibles of Hampshire and Franklin counties, furnish proof that the Seelye campaign was carried on by the most corrupt and ignoble means that could be resorted to, and that no political ring in the state ever managed so adroitly and despicably as this. And yet this is the party which accorded to itself all the virtue in that district.

THE country meeting of the State Board of Agriculture will be held at Music Hall, Westfield, on the 1st, 2d and 3d of December. All are invited to attend, and the discussions will be specially interesting to those engaged in agriculture or horticulture. Among the speakers there will be Pres. Clark and Profs. Cressy and Stockbridge of the Amherst Agricultural College, Pres. Chadbourne of Williams College, Charles L. Flint, and W. C. Strong.

MISFORTUNES never come singly, and now after part of the Western States have been devastated by grasshoppers, it is discovered that the counterfeiters have been busy, and have flooded that unfortunate country with well-executed counterfeits of National bank notes. That is "inflation" with a vengeance, and so skillfully executed are these bills that even the experts of the treasury department are sorely perplexed to distinguish them from the genuine.

AT a celebration of the Democratic victories, at Richmond, Va., last week, one of the orators produced a confederate flag, and waved it before the audience, saying he expected yet to live under that banner. And this rebellious sentiment, the direct outgrowth of democratic triumphs, was greeted with loud applause. Let those who glory over Republican defeats calculate how long it would be, if a democratic administration should succeed Gen. Grant's, before we should be in as bad condition as we were at the breaking out of the war. Every democratic success inspires the conquered rebels with hope and courage.

☞President Jewett of the Erie Railroad gets $40,000 a year salary.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

LOCAL NOTICES.

Read Dr. Fanyou's advertisement.

Try the "Boss" Crackers, manufactured by C. D. Boss & Son of New London, and for sale by F. M. Dodge.

....Appleton has the December magazines and periodicals.

....The winter time table on the Boston & Albany R. R. went into effect on Monday.

....The Good Templars were the guests of Miss Etta Green, at Thorndike, Friday evening.

....The dancing party at the Antique Hall, Wednesday, though small, had excellent music, and a pleasant time.

....The post office will be open all the forenoon of Thanksgiving day, and on the arrival of mails in the afternoon.

....This dry weather brings to light the stones imbedded in our Main street, and gives it the appearance of being well paved, in many places.

....Full provision will be made for heating the Cong. church next Sunday, although the cold snap of last Sunday did catch them napping.

....Frank Dwight Denny of Boston is engaged to give a dramatic reading, with character sketches, etc., in this village, on the evening of Dec. 3d.

....Episcopal church service will be held to-morrow evening in the District Court room, at seven o'clock. Rev. B. W. Atwill of Ware will officiate. All are cordially invited.

....The stone work on the railroad bridge west of this village, over the Quaboag, is about finished, and the substantial iron work of the bridge is being pushed forward to completion.

....The "Denny," attached to the New York express Thursday afternoon, gave out at the bridge west of this depot, and a freight engine started on with the train not quite half an hour late.

....Arrangements for Thanksgiving services have not been completed at time of our going to press, but it is expected there will be preaching at the Cong. church, at the usual hour of morning service, with singing by the choir.

....The directors of the Boston and Albany R. R. made their annual tour of inspection last week. Wednesday they passed over the whole length of the main line, and Friday went up the Ware River branch, to Winchendon.

....And now the man who is charged with being sent with two quarts of rum to Wales for the band in that town, to help the democrats here celebrate their election victory, puts in an appearance and denies the whole story—rum and all.

....A few of the friends of Mrs. H. P. Holden made her a pleasant surprise visit Wednesday evening, on the occasion of her birthday and 11th anniversary of her marriage. A handsome chromo, valued at over $50, was the birthday present they left behind them.

....The primary school in this village, taught by Miss Mary Wallis, which closed on Tuesday, has the following names on its "roll of honor," for their punctuality during the term just ended, they having been neither absent nor tardy:—Helen Robinson, Carrie Hawks, Minnie Dawson, Laura Brooks, Nellie Dowd, Charlie McManamy.

....Our village is certainly favored with a sufficiency and variety of religious meetings, six denominations holding their services here with more or less regularity, viz:—Baptist, Congregational, Episcopal, Methodist, Second Adventist, and Universalist. Besides these there are also four churches in the other villages,—Cong., Methodist, Baptist, and Roman Catholic.

....The Palmer Carpet Company was formed at the district court room Monday. The company has a capital stock of $50,000, and some 8 or 10 stockholders. W. Ingram of Troy was chosen president, O. H. Sampson of Boston, treasurer, Geo. Robinson, clerk, and A. Pinney sup't of mill. The directors are O. H. Sampson, W. Ingram, M. W. French, J. G. Allen, H. P. Holden. The company is already preparing to commence work.

WARREN.

Daniel Healey, who was recently burned out of house and home, near West Warren, will sell his stock at auction on the 30th of this month.

WILBRAHAM.

The following officers of Newton Lodge of Masons were installed Friday evening by District Deputy Wetherby:

Chauncey E. Peck, W. M.; W. F. Morgan, S.W.; H. A. Bliss, J. W.; S. Foskit, treasurer; A. E. Butler, Sec'y; Rev. T. W. Bishop, chaplain; W. H. Lyman, M.; J. A. Parker, S. D.; F. L. Stebbins, J. D.; H. B. Spencer, S. S.; M. E. Streeter, J. S.; J. M. King, tyler.

JENKSVILLE.

The Social Union has crowded meetings every Saturday evening at vestry of Union church, with readings, recitations, etc. Several good lecturers have been engaged for their winter course.

The Ludlow company are running their mills 60 hours a week—10 hours and 52 minutes a day for five days, and half a day on Saturday.

THREE RIVERS.

There was another drowning case at Three Rivers Saturday night. Thomas Hughes, an Irishman, who had been at work for John Ferrell, left there in the evening, and was not seen alive afterwards. It is supposed that he got drunk and fell into the river, as his body was found in the canal Monday morning. He leaves two children. His wife was divorced several years ago and married another man. The company at Three Rivers should fence the canal, as it is a dangerous place there for sober people on a dark night.

SOUTH WILBRAHAM.

The Ravine Mill that was once owned by Luther E. Sage, now by the Wilbraham Woolen Co., is running full time. Since the commencement this company have built an addition to the mill of a brick picker room and a large two-story storage house. The company are now laying the foundation for a large two story four tenement house, which was always needed, and judging from all appearances about the mill they mean business.

H. H. Hendrick, who has been in trade here for more than twenty years, sold his stock of goods this week to Arnold & Fuller of Somers, Ct., who have already taken possession and commenced business. It is understood they are to connect a market with their other business. Mr. Hendrick is to retire from active life, and contemplates the West for investments.

Frank Davis, our stage proprietor, has been sick for two weeks, confined to his room, where he will have to remain for awhile yet. Henry Stimson runs the stage.

MONSON.

The Monson Academy closed this week.

Olympus Lodge of Good Templars are arranging for a public meeting, Friday eve, Dec. 4.

John C. Maguire has bought the two-story house formerly owned by Johnson & Brockbank on High street.

Messrs. Aldrich & Squier have commenced grading on Reynolds street, and the Messrs. Beckwith will soon break ground for the better improvement of Flynt street.

The railroad projected by W. N. Flynt & Co., some time since, to their quarry, and intersecting the N. L. N. R. R., bids fair to be built the coming season, work on the grading having been already commenced.

The roads voted to be built by the town have been let, and the selectmen are to be highly commended for having so nearly carried out the vote without the excuses and delay which have heretofore attended similar public improvements.

A. H. Bilsh and wife were thrown down an embankment near Converse's mill at Stafford Springs on Monday last, and it is a wonder they were not killed. Mr. Bilsh is seriously injured internally, being able to sit up but a part of the time. He has sustained injuries from which he will never fully recover. The horse is probably totally unfit for service hereafter.

The Harmony course of lectures will be opened by Gen. Kilpatrick Wednesday evening, Dec. 16th. He will be followed by Col. Conwell, Washington Gladden, Dr. I. I. Hayes and Miss Lillian Edgarton. It is to be hoped that so fine a course as this will receive such liberal patronage as it deserves and will be necessary to make it a financial success. The lecturers are all first-class, and the reputation of every one is sufficient to insure a fine entertaiment.

WARE AND VICINITY.

....The Young Ladies' Charitable Society met with Mrs. D. W. Miner on Wednesday afternoon and evening.

....About 30 members of Post 85, G. A. R. attended the funeral of William Bartlett, at the Center, Saturday afternoon.

....Mr. George Wilson, superintendent of the hosiery works, returned from his trip to England, on Tuesday, after an absense of about ten weeks.

....Two young men from Warren, Fred. Keyes and Edgar Butterworth, leave New York to-day for California to "seek their fortunes," going thence by steamer.

....We have not been able to learn the program for Thanksgiving day, but presume the several churches will hold services in their respective places of worship.

....Wm. S. Brakenridge, Esq., of Cleveland, Ohio, spent last Sabbath in Ware, his former home. He is general agent of the German American Fire Insurance Co., of New York.

....Rev. H. M. Rogers, son of Converse C. Rogers of this town, preached his farewell sermon at Mitteneague last Sabbath, having accepted a call to become pastor of the Cong. church in Webster.

....It is rumored that a number of weddings are to occur in our midst before the close of the year, though we claim to have no authority for the statement. It is certain, however, that such things do *frequently* occur at this season of the year.

....Dr. Perkins' congregation contributed $112.50 last Sabbath to aid the Nebraska sufferers, whose destitute condition was referred to last week, and the amount has been forwarded to Charles F. Pierce, our former townsman, for distribution where it is most needed.

....Rev. Dr. Perkins preached an excellent temperance discourse, last Sabbath morning, in which he defined temperance as "the exercise of self-control according to the dictates of reason and conscience," and advocated *total abstinence* from all intoxicating drinks as the only wise and safe course to follow.

....Our factories have been unable to run their machinery in full, the past week, owing to low water. This, with other causes, lessens the amount on the several pay rolls very materially, and it is quite probable that frequent calls for charity the coming winter will be received by those whose financial condition renders them able to contribute.

....Religious services will be held at the M. E. Church this (Saturday) evening, conducted by C. J. Littlefield of Boston and D. B. Montague of Springfield, members of the State Ex. Committee of Y. M. C. A. They will spend the Sabbath at the church in Ware Center, and the exercises will doubtless be of unusual interest. It is barely possible H. M. Moore of Somerville, a well-known Christian worker, will also be present and take part in the services.

....King Solomon's Royal Arch Chapter of Masons elected the following officers Thursday afternoon: F. A. Spear, H. P.; Addison Sandford, K.; N. G. Reed, S.; Joseph L. Cowles, Treas.; E. C. Merriam, Sec'y; Jerome Gates, C. H.; William O. Gould, P. S.; E. R. Foster, R. A. C.; Lewis N. Gilbert, M. 3d V.; Aram Warburton, M. 2d V.; Henry O. Caryl, M. 1st V.; John W. Robinson, Chaplain; Lyman Taylor, Tyler. These officers were duly installed by Past High Priest George Robinson, of Palmer.

....The Temperance Reform Club meeting, Monday evening, was well attended and of considerable interest, to those at least who are accustomed to attend regularly the deliberations of the club. Miss Nellie J. Bullard read a most excellent paper, "The Crystal Wave," followed by brief addresses from E. Howard Baker, Silas A. Spooner and John F. Mott upon the general subject of temperance. Hereafter it is expected that music will be introduced on the program of exercises each evening, a committee having been appointed for that purpose.

Current Notes.

Why are ladies like churches? Because there is no living without them.

The rustle of the bustle is heard again in the land. In short, they are coming into fashion again.

Five men were killed and one fatally injured Tuesday by the explosion of a tug boat at Hell Gate, N. Y.

The post office in Spencer Village was entered on Monday night and robbed of $100 in stamps and $25 in money.

An exchange reports "an appalling number of applications" to Governor-elect Gaston for the half dozen places which will be in his gift.

Mrs. Byram of Abington, Ill., is a cattle farmer, and her premiums at the agricultural fairs this fall number 122 and amount to $1150.

A little darkey in Baltimore amused himself the other night by pouring tar into all the street letter boxes. The mails were late next morning.

☞Paul Boynton, the Yankee swimmer, and inventor, who was going to be dropped overboard from a Europe-bound steamer some 300 miles out from New York, to test a new life-saving India rubber suit, and who repented and kept on with the steamer to England, has since successfully accomplished a hardly less dangerous feat off the Irish coast. He jumped off the steamer Queen, 40 miles out, and in seven hours landed at Skibbereen under some difficulty, as there was a heavy sea running ahead and a terrible storm raging. A great ovation was paid to Boynton, who looked in no way distressed by the experiment, and is confident of success in his 250-mile effort.

☞The Worcester Spy says: On the completion of the Boston and Worcester Railroad to that city, the entire freight business was offered to one party for $2000 per year for an unlimited period—the party to pay expenses of loading and unloading cars, the company to haul the cars. This was rejected. Had it been accepted, what would that man's fortune be placed at to-day? He is among the living.

☞Col. Justin Thayer, the well known Hampshire County Commissioner, died at his residence in Northampton on Friday morning of last week, after an illness of four months. Col. Thayer, who was about 63 years old, had nearly completed his sixth year as Commissioner, and had repeatedly served as special commissioner.

☞The depot of the Vermont and Massachusetts and Ware River railroads, at Baldwinville, was broken into on Wednesday night, and the safe loaded upon a wagon and carried off. No trace of the burglars has yet been found, but they will hardly get paid for their trouble, as the safe only contained about $5.

☞James M. League, a horse thief, was taken from officers by masked men near Troy, Mo., Saturday, shot through the body, tied to a horse which galloped through the woods, lacerating League's body, while the crowd followed, shooting, and threatening to hang him when caught.

☞A plain marble slab was placed on Locust Hill, in Grenwood Cemetery, on Saturday, to mark temporarily the grave of Mr. Greeley. It bears the simple inscription, "Horace Greeley, born February 3, 1811; died November 29, 1873."

☞Robert Wilson of Jersey City, Secretary of the Oriental Insurance Company, which suspended some time ago, has disappeared with all the valuable securities of the company, amounting to $13,700. It is supposed Wilson has sold the securities and gone to Canada.

☞Mark Twain and another man made an attempt last week to walk from Hartford to Boston a distance of 124 miles, but after walking 35 miles in less than five days, gave up for fear they should win Weston's laurels away from him, and finished their journey by rail.

☞West Stockbridge loses $4000 worth of taxable property by the burning of five barns, a span of horses, and 75 tons of hay, belonging to Turner & Johnson. It is supposed to have been incendiary, and the suspected man was arrested before the fire was over.

☞A Westfield firm is now manufacturing from 78 bushels of grain, 234 gallons of rye gin per day, an increase of 60 gallons per day since November 1, all of which goes out of the State of course.

☞In a garden in Sacramento, Cal., the apple trees have a second crop of fruit for the season, the apples being about the size of a hen's egg. This is considered remarkable even for that climate.

☞There is said to be an old lady residing in Brookfield who at last accounts had not tasted food for over fifty days. The truth of this statement is attested by both the lady and her husband.

☞The mountains are still for freedom. The only district in Kentucky which has chosen a Republican Congressman is the ninth, which comprises the mountainous section of the State.

☞A paper in Santa Barbara, Cal., says: "Winter has come. Our recent rains have sprouted the grass and volenteer barley seed, and the land everywhere is fresh and green."

☞Gen. Beauregard is delighted with the Massachusetts election—which makes some who contributed to the result consider whether they are jolly or not.

☞The Governor and Council began their official count of the votes on Tuesday.

☞The Springfield district of the M. E. church holds a Sunday school convention at Westfield, Dec. 10.

☞Augustus Wheeler, formerly assistant cashier of the Barre National Bank, has been appointed cashier of the Milford National Bank.

☞A Russian Abbess has committed forgeries to the amount of $400,000. She established several large factories, which are in full operation.

☞The Provost of Musselburgh, Scotland, recently had a man arrested and locked up for whistling in the streets near where that functionary was walking.

☞The Good Templars of Liverpool, England, have purchased a hall for themselves at a cost of $20,000. The body is very numerous and important in that city.

☞W. W. Pierce, a millionaire of Brooklyn, N. Y., is charged with bigamy, and his third wife has sued him for $100,000 to assuage her grief caused by his deceit.

☞The great four-mile running race for a purse of $25,000 gold came off at San Francisco, Saturday, and was won by "Katie Pease" in two straight heats; time, 8.43½.

☞Rev. Mr. Perry of Agawam, who was so severely injured at the Bridge St. crossing in Springfield three months ago, is slowly recovering, and is able to stand on his feet.

☞The British Government has decided to send out another Polar expedition, estimating the cost at $250,000, which is double the estimate of the Royal Geographical Society.

☞One hundred and two colored Baptist converts were to be immersed at Georgetown, Ky., the other day, and the water being insufficient, a dam had to be constructed.

☞It is stated that the Governor elect of New York expended about $3750 for "postage stamps" during the late campaign. He probably knew of his nomination before election.

☞A Baltimore servant girl who lately found a pocket book containing about $800 and restored it to its owner, was more fortunate than the generality of such honest persons. She received $100.

☞The best shot ever heard of has been made in Calais, Me., where a gentleman fired, in midnight darkness, at the bark of a dog, and the next morning found the animal dead, the bullet having hit him in the throat.

☞One town in Alabama with a population of seventy-five in 1870, is reported to have given a Democratic majority of 100 at the recent election. It is the banner town for growth, or else for Democratic activity at the polls.

☞A young lady and gentleman, aged respectively, 12 and 13 years, were married at Gouldtown, Mich., last week. When last seen, they were quarrelling over a pound of mixed candies, and throwing out vague intimations about divorce.

☞In Fulton county, N. Y., Tuesday, three young persons, brother and sisters, between the age of eight and twenty, died. Two of them were buried on one day, and the other on the succeeding day; and only the stricken parents are left of the family

☞A serious accident occurred on the Eastern railway Wednesday near Newport. A collision between two freight trains resulted in the destruction of several cars and a valuable locomotive. No lives were lost, but engineer Henry Hill was severely injured.

BOSTON & ALBANY RAILROAD.—At the meeting of the directors of the road in Springfield last week, a dividend of 5 per cent. was declared, payable Nov. 16. The receipts from passengers last year were $3,015,876, from freight, $5,283,500, from mails and other sources, $664,151, making a total of $8,963,127, out of which take the expenses, $6,548,211, and they have a net income of $2,414,916. The expenses of the Ware River branch were $375,000.

DIPTHERIA.—There is great alarm in many portions of the country in regard to diptheria, which is prevailing with fatal effect among children and young people. It is a genuine pestilence in New York. Three-fourths of those attacked die. The following is said to be a remedy:

"Four drops of sulphuric acid diluted in three-fourths of a tumbler of water, to be given a sip at a time as often as can be taken, and a smaller dose for children. The result is said to be a regulation of the diptheric membrane and its ready removal by coughing."

THE RESULT.—The total vote of Massachusetts, is as follows: Gaston, 95,901; Talbot, 89,243; Andrews, (labor reform) 100. Gaston's plurality over Talbot is 6658 and his majority 6558. The whole vote is only 7406 less than the presidential vote of 1872.

STEAMBOAT DISASTER.—The steamer Europe suddenly and mysteriously broke in two and sunk at her wharf at New Orleans, Monday night, soon after her arrival, and about forty persons were drowned.

ANOTHER MILL BURNED.—The saw, planing and grist mill of A. Watkins & Sons, was totally destroyed by fire Thursday night, involving a loss of some $12,000. No insurance.

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The partridge now forgets to drum,
The squirrel to uprear
His merry tail; the brooks are glum;
The anglers disappear;
The crow pursues the vagrant crumb,
Too grateful for the cheer;
The top has ceased its summer hum,
The kites are out of gear;
O'er Mother Earth a fierce *autumn*
Inverts his icy spear.
Each morning some imbibe their rum,
And some imbibe their beer;
Young soldiers mumble "fi-fo-fum!"
To drive away their fear.
Blithe, happy, joyous school-girls thrum
Pianos far and near,
Or cut the cake of Sally Lum,
Or Clara Vere de Vere,
While others go to chewing gum
To check the truant tear.
A blind young man once did call um-
Niate his precious dear,
And railed, instead of being mum,
Because he did not see her.
Another man got deaf and dumb,
Because he could not hear,
But when with cold his feet grew numb,
He turned in his career,
And danced a polka on his thumb,
And walked off on his ear.
{Something broken in the machine!} {plumb / queer, / tum-ti-cum.}
K ch-k-r-r-r-r-r-e-r!

QUICK TELEGRAPHING.

Several instances of quick telegraphing have been brought under our notice of late, but the following shows the perfection to which the cable telegraph service has been brought. A message was sent from New York to London, and in thirty minutes, actual time, the answer was received in New York. Another dispatch was sent to London, to which a reply was received in thirty-five minutes, actual time. In neither of these instances was any special effort made to hurry the answers, but the party addressed sent the reply to the London office by the messenger delivering the original message. To fully appreciate this wonderful achievement, we must consider that the distance from New York to the cable station at Heart's Content, N. F., is 1300 miles, that of the cable about 2000 miles, and of the land lines and cable from Valentia to London about 300 more. Each message, therefore, was transmitted about 3600 miles, and passed through the hands of eighteen persons, all told; consequently, the message and reply, in each case, passed the hands of thirty-six persons and traveled 7000 miles in thirty to thirty-five minutes.—*Telegraphic Journal.*

CULTIVATION OF SMILAX.—Mr. J. Vick, than whom there is no better authority, as a florist, gives the following directions for the household culture of this plant, now so much used in floral decorations, or twining in the hair and trimming party dresses: With little care it can be grown successfully as a house plant. The seeds should be sown in a box or in pots in the house, and should be kept moist till the young plants appear. The seeds being rather slow to germinate, you must not think it bad if it does not make its appearance in two weeks. The young plants should be potted off in three inch pots as soon they are three or four inches high. Once a year the bulbs should be allowed to dry off and rest. They will start into growth again in about six weeks. The vine does not require the full sun, but it will grow well in a partially shaded situation. It can be trained on a small thread across the window or around pictures. It is a climbing vine; and will attach itself to a string in just the right condition to use for wreaths, etc., or when required for lighter work, the branches which become entangled can be separated.

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☞Your bodies are not all of you. The brain, the head, the faculties, the tastes, must be fed. Man shall not live by bread alone, but by music, by painting, by literature, by arts and sciences, and by all that multiplies the industries and proves the skill of man. All men must work. Work is the Lord's distributive whipping. Lord help the boy whose father spared him that whipping in youth. Men who are cared for by nature, men who live in climates where there is no necessity for labor, are not often worth being cared for.—*Beecher.*

☞"Why, you see," she began, "you take a chestnut and cut round the hull with a sharp knife, and you take one-half the chestnut in your mouth and your fellow takes the other half in his, and pull, and the hull comes right off."

☞A little girl asked her brother what was capital punishment, and he said he thought that it was being locked up in the cupboard with the jams and other nice things.

☞Daniel Webster has accepted a position on the New York police, and it is therefore inferred that his dictionary has not proved a success.

☞A fall bonnet without any birdon it is sufficient excuse for consigning the wearer to the depths of oblivion.

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They find among the motley crowd
That some are gay and some are proud:
That some are short and some are tall,
They get their information all
By peeping through the blinds!

You walk the street at common pace,
You catch the outline of a face.
The face seems strange; again you look,
Dear sir! she knows you like a book!
She knows the color of your hair,
The very style of clothes you wear;
She knows your business, I'll be bound,
And all your friends the country round,
By peeping through the blinds!

She knows the Smiths across the way,
And what they dine on every day;
And thinks that Miss Matilda Jane
Is growing very proud and vain.
She knows the Browns at number Four,
Just opposite her very door;
Folks quite as poor as they can be,
For don't they sit and sew, while she
Is peeping through the blinds!

Dear ladies, if you don't succeed
In gaining knowledge that you need,
Then at your window take your seat,
And gaze into the busy street;
Full soon you'll read your neighbor well,
And can their tastes and habits tell;
And know their business to a T,
Much better than your own, you see,
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SOMERVILLE AND SON.

"Going to that dreadful factory again!" said Mrs. Somerville, looking up as her daughter entered the sitting room, dressed for a walk. "I declare, Nellie, you might as well be a boy as a girl for any pleasure I have in your society. Every day you are at the factory, leaving me alone."

"I will come back soon if you want me, mother; but I promised father to come down and give him my opinion of some patterns for moulding that are to be sent in to-day."

"As if the opinion of a girl of your age was of any value. You need not hurry back on my account. I do not want to force you to stay at home. I can bear the sorrow of having a masculine tom-boy of a girl instead of a gentle, refined companion. Go."

Nellie Somerville pressed a kiss upon the fretful face pettishly turned away to evade the caress, and then went out very gravely. Her step, stong and elastic, was unusually slow, as she walked toward the factory where her father waited for her, and for the hundredth time her face was clouded as she debated her own mind the vexed question of her duty. Not her inclination—that poluted steadily one way—but her duty.

From the time when, grasping her father's stong finger, the little girl toddled by his side, Nellie Somerville had been that father's pride, and the cross of her mother. Child after child had been taken from the home of John Somerville to fill a little grave in the church-yard—the victims of an anxiety to guard them from every breath of air; to fortify their constitutions by incessant doings; to force health by combating imaginary weakness.

When Nellie was born the father asserted his authority, and the baby was brought up almost in the open air, and found perfect health and strength in constant exercise, good food, and a total deprivation of all cordials and narcotics. If she cried she was not dosed on the supposition of pain, but comforted by a ride on papa's shoulder, or a race in the garden.

When childhood was passed, school-days over, the girl came home from a seminary in a distant city and shocked her mother anew. A good scholar, a fine pianist and a promising linguist, she was averse to embroidery and worsted work, fond of riding and walking, and while essentially refined in thought and action, had no affections or fine ladyism, such as Mrs. Somerville considered the crowning charms of womanhood. She entered into the details of housekeeping with a hearty zeal, though her mother declared she beat eggs like a ploughboy, and stirred cake like a milkmaid.

"You see, papa," Nellie said confidentially to her sympathizing parent, "I can't half do anything, and mama thinks I am awfully unfeminine. If eggs are to be beaten, I beat them, not dab at them as if I were in a decline. I do try to please mama, and I sat all yesterday morning working upon a horrible combination of zephyr and canvas for a footstool. But mama says I stab the work; and between you and me, papa, I do not wish the stool was in a sufficiently advanced state to warrant my kicking it. I wish I was a boy; then I could be at the factory all the time."

John Somerville could scarcely look at the handsome, healthy face, raised to his own, and wish it different in any way; yet the hidden grief of life was that there was no son to inherit the name upon the factory sign. For three generations "Somerville & Son" were known for miles around the village where the great factory was located, and their names good in many of the leading cities of the country. John had inherited the business from father and grand father, but his own sons, three dark-eyed boys, lay in the church-yard, and Nellie remained alone of six children.

More than once the thought had crossed his mind, "If she were only a boy," as Nellie followed him over the great building with the keenest interest in every department there.

The business was the manufacture of frames of every description, and Nellie became familiar with every detal, from the purchase of the lumber to the criticism of the finished work. She had a nicety of touch that detected the slightest inequalities of surface, even in polished wood, and her eye was at once quick and correct. Little by little, almost unconsciously, John Somerville trusted Nellie with much of the decision in purchases, and the book-keeping was often in her care for weeks together, when there was a pressure of work. Mrs. Somerville whined and fretted over the strangely masculine tastes of her child, but her father became more and more averse to parting with her in business hours.

Two years after Nellie came from school, and just after her 21st birthday, she started one morning, as seen in the opening of my story, to look at some patterns to be sent for decision. Such matters were often trusted wholly to her judgment, so she was not surprised to find that her father had gone out, leaving the decision to her. But after she had given the order, and answered a lot of letters lying upon his desk, had wandered all over the building and returned again to the office, she was surprised at her father's long absence.

One of the foremen in the finishing department, coming to the office for some lost orders about the shipment of some goods, said Mr. Somerville had appointed to meet him there at noon, and the proprietor of Somerville & Son's frame factory was a man of rigid punctuality.

Ten, fifteen, twenty minutes, Stephen Holton waited in the office, watching Nellie's busy hand as she folded, sealed and directed a lot of circulars, and thinking that never had he seen a face so fair, or heard a voice so clear and musical as Nellie Somerville's. But as the clock struck a half hour, Nellie looked up with a startled face.

"Something has happened, Stephen," she said; "my father is never half an hour late. Send some one to look for him."

"The men are all at dinner, Miss Nellie. I will go myself."

But even as he spoke a messenger hurriedly entered the office, saying:

"Mr. Somerville was thrown from his horse while on his way here from the village and is badly injured.

"Where?" broke from Nellie's white lips.

"We took him home, and he asked me to come here for you."

Even in her sorrow and grief Nellie retained some presence of mind. Looking into Stephen Holton's grave, sympathizing face, she said:

"You will take charge here until you hear from my father. I will be responsible."

"Thank you," he said, deeply moved by her confidence in him at such a time. I will try to do my duty.

"I am sure of that," she answered, and extended her hand.

Two minutes later she was hurrying homeward. None too soon was her clear head and quiet resolution brought to bear upon the excited household. Her mother was in hysterics, the servants hustling here and there purposeless and terified, and her father lying upon the bed in the hands of a surgeon and two gentlemen who assisted in bringing him home."

There was plenty to do. In less than would seem possible, the servants were in their proper places, Mrs. Somerville quieted, and Nellie white as a sheet, but perfectly tranquil, actively engaged in waiting upon the surgeon.

The weary hours that followed taxed every nerve in the girl's frame, but she bore the strain bravely; and when the doctor led her to the drawing room, he felt a deep respect for the girl who so nobly crushed back all selfish sorrow to aid her father in his agony.

Giving her a glass of water, and making her rest quietly for a few minutes, he watched her face until the drawn rigidity of every feature relaxed, and the strained eyes looked piteously into his own

"That is better," he said kindly, "you may cry now."

Nellie's lips quivered.

"You have something to tell me?"

"Yes. Are you strong enough to hear it?"

"That he will die. Oh, say that he will not die!"

"The injuries are not fatal. Your father may live for years——"

Nellie's tears fell fast now.

"But," the doctor continued, "he will never be able to walk again. The injury to the spine will keep him a cripple for life."

"Never walk again!" While Nellie sobbed out her anguish in the drawing room, John Somerville, unconscious of the dread fiat that had gone forth, slept under the influence of a powerful opiate.

For many days the two woman who loved him had no thought for anything but the strong man stricken down in the prime of his life, needing care like a little child. Under the influence of a real sorrow, the crust of selfishness melted from the wife's heart, and she become a devoted nurse, forgetting the fancied ailments she had nursed for years, in ministering to her husband, as he lay helpless and suffering.

But there came a day when John Somerville was told, kindly and cautiously, of the doom before him. It took all the Christian strength of the man's nature to endure the shock. Better death, he thought, than life at such a price.

The first agony over, he thought of the factory, the bread-winner for wife and child—the business of life. Must the old firm die at last, and the flourishing business be sold for want of a master's care? Involuntarily he turned to Nellie, and talked long and earnestly.

It was a surprise to him, in spite of what he had seen, when she replied:—

"I knew the factory would be your first anxiety father, and Stephen has been here every evening to report to me, bringing all the mail matter. To-day I went myself. Everything is going on well. The orders for this month are all filled, and the new ones under way. I have put in some new material. Do you feel able to go over what I have done?"

Clearly she explained every detail of the business in the four weeks that had passed since the accident, and modestly showed him the memoranda she had kept of every business transaction.

"Nellie," said he, when she had finished, "if Heaven denied me a son, it has given me a good daughter. With you to assist me, I can still carry on my factory though I lie crippled here."

There was a buzz of comment in the village when Miss Nellie Somerville assumed the charge of the frame factory her father had owned so long. Some of the workmen refused to be "ordered about" by a girl, and were promptly discharged; but the majority worked better under the stimulus of Nellie's judicious praise. People who sneered at masculine women were forced to confess that their orders were filled as promptly and as well as before. And yet, in the counting house only a woman controlled the entire business, kept the books, answered the letters, and guided every detail of the vast establishment.

Three years had passed since Nellie became the head of the business, when Stephen Holton wooed her for his wife. He had saved from his salary sufficient to make a pleasant home, and Nellie knew he loved her faithfully, as she long loved him. So, with her happy consent, he sought her father to ask for his child.

"From all the world," John Somerville said, "I could not have chosen a man to whom I would so gladly give my Nellie. It will comfort me in my years that may be left of my life, to know my brave girl has a protector, when I am gone. But, Stephen, there is one wish very near my heart, that you can gratify."

"Name it, sir."

"I shall, on your marriage day, deed to you the factory and business, subject only to a moderate life income for myself and wife. But I would like to keep the old name there. An act of the legislature will give you the right to be Stephen Somerville, and Somerville & Son may still live in the old firm's place."

So, when Nellie married, some months later, she became the wife of Stephen Holton Somerville. Gradually she found her duties in her new home drawing her little by little from an active place in the factory; and, proud of her husband, she gladly resigned her authority to him, finding scope for her energies in the duties around her, till one morning, walking over to her father's, she put into his arms a tiny, crowing baby, and said with glad tears:

"My business cares are over, papa. Henceforth, I resign in favor of Somerville & *Son*."

THE BRAIN.

For some years past, physiologists have known that certain parts of the brain have certain special functions; that they govern and affect certain parts of the body and no other. This knowledge was arrived at by the living brain, or by observations of the brain in a state of disease. There was some truth in phrenology, after all; only modern research has shown that phrenologists were wrong in mapping out the brain. Foremost among the newly discovered facts is that the left side of the body is governed by the right side of the brain, and *vice versa;* and this discovery was made by observing that palsy of either side of the body is accompanied by disease of the opposite side of the brain. One part of the brain governs motion, another sensation, another the operations of the intellect. The function of the cerebellum has long been an obscure question in physiology; that part of the brain is now found to be the great centre for the movements of the muscles of the eye-ball. In the disease described as aphasia, the person affected loses the power of expressing his thoughts in words, either spoken or written. He remains intelligent, can comprehend what is going on, has no paralysis of the organs of speech, but is utterly at a loss to find words, and in some cases to tell his name. In such cases, as now ascertained, there is always palsy of the front part of the left side of the brain. An exposition of these remarkable facts was given at a meeting by Professor Rutherford, who stated that many of the discoveries had been made by Professor Ferrier, of King's College. He having examined the experiments of foreign physiologists, has confirmed and extended them by an improved mode of investigation, and now his researches open a field of inquiry so important that therefrom we may expect a new impulse for the science of physiology.

PRESENCE OF MIND.

Professor Wilder, of Cornell University, gives these short rules for action in case of accident:

For dust in the eyes, avoid rubbing, dash water into them; remove cinders, etc., with the round point of a lead pencil. Remove insects from the ear by tepid water; never put a hard instrument into the ear. If an artery is cut, compress above the wound; if a vein is cut, compress below. If choked, get upon all fours, and cough. For light burns, dip the part in cold water; if the skin is destroyed, cover with varnish. Smother a fire with carpets, etc.; water will often spread burning oil, and increase the danger. Before passing through smoke, take a full breath, and then stoop low, but if carbon is suspected, walk erect. Suck poison wounds, unless your mouth is sore. Enlarge the wound, or, better, cut out the part without delay. Hold the wounded part as long as can be borne to a hot coal or end of a cigar. In case of poisoning, excite vomiting by tickling the throat, or by water and mustard. For acid poisons, give acids; in case of opium poisoning, give strong coffee and keep moving. If in water, float on the back, with the nose and mouth projecting. For apoplexy, raise the head and body; for fainting, lay the person flat.

LIFE.—Live for something? Yes, and for something of life and its capabilities and opportunities for noble deeds and achievements. Every man and every woman have their assignment in the duties and responsibilities of daily life. We are in the world to make the world better; to lift it up to higher levels of enjoyment and progress, to make its hearts and homes brighter and happier by devoting to our fellows our best thoughts, activities, and influences. It's the motto of every true heart and the genius of every noble life, that "no man liveth to himself"—lives chiefly for his own selfish good. It is a law of our intellectual and moral being that we promote our own happiness in the exact proportion we contribute to the comfort and enjoyment of others. Nothing worthy of the name of happiness is possible in the experience of those who live only for themselves, all oblivious of the welfare of their fellows.

WARNING TO YOUNG MEN.—A recently made benedict writes the following concerning his young wife's habits: If there was a bedroom a mile long and her entire wardrobe could be packed in a handbox, still you'd find portions of that wardrobe scattered along the whole mile of a dressing-room. She's a nice thing to look at when put together, but this wonderful creature is evolved from a chaos interminable of pins, ribbons, rags, powder, thread, brushes, combs, and laces. If there were seven thousand drawers in your room, and you asked but for one to be kept sacred and inviolate for your own private use, that particular one would be full of hair-pins, ribbons and soiled cuffs. Some provision, some protection in this matter, should be inserted in the marriage service.

WET THE POWDER.—Two Irishmen in a recent engagement were standing by their gun, firing in quick succession, when one touching the piece noticed that it was very hot.

"Arrah! Mike, the cannon is getting hot; we'd betther shtop firin' a little."

"Divil a bit," replied Mike; "jist dip the cartridges in the river afore yees load, and kape it cool."

A WIFE'S COUSIN.

A country gentleman lately arrived at Boston, and immediately repaired to the house of a relative—a lady who had married a merchant of that city. The parties were glad to see him, and invited him to their house as his home, as he declared his intention of remaining in that city but a day or two.

The husband of the lady, anxious to show his attention to a relative and friend of his wife, took the gentleman's horse to a livery stable on Hanover street.

Finally the visit became a visitation, and the merchant, after the lapse of eleven days, found, besides lodging and boarding the gentleman, a pretty considerable bill had run up at the livery stable.

Accordingly, he went to the man who kept the stable, and told him when the gentleman took the horse he would pay the bill.

"Very good, sir," said the stable keeper; "I understand you."

In a short time the country gentleman went to the stable and ordered his horse to be got ready. The bill, of course, was presented.

"Oh!" said the gentleman, "Mr. ——, my relative, will pay this."

"Very well, sir," said the stable keeper. "Please get an order from Mr. ——. It will be the same as money."

The horse was put up again, and down went the country gentleman to Long Wharf, where the merchant kept.

"Well," said he, "I am going, now."

"Are you?" said the merchant. "Well, good-bye, sir."

"Well, about the horse—the man says the bill must be paid for his keeping."

"Well, I suppose that's all right."

"Yes—well, but you know I'm your wife's cousin."

"Yes," said the merchant, "I know; but your horse is not!"

NEARNESS OR DEATH.—When we walk near powerful machinery we know that one misstep and those mighty engines will tear us to ribbons with their flying wheels or grind us to powder in their ponderous jaws. So when we are thundering across the land in a rail road carriage and there is nothing but an inch of iron flange to hold us on the line. So when we are in a ship and there is nothing but the thickness of a plank between us and eternity. We imagine, then, that we see how close we are to the edge of the precipice. But we do not see it. Whether on the sea or on the land the partition that divides us from eternity is something less than the oak plank or a half-inch iron flange. The machinery of life and death is within us. The tissues that hold the beating powers in their places are often not thicker than a sheet of paper, and if that thin partition rupture it would be the same as if a cannon-ball struck us. Death is inseparably bound up with life in the very structure of our bodies. Struggle as he would to widen the space, no man can at any time go further from death than the thickness of a sheet of paper.

IT WORKED.—A man of respectable appearance, but carrying a countenance heavy with woe, entered a Michigan avenue street car, a gold watch and chain in his hand, and he made a general appeal by saying, "Is there any one here who will buy this watch? My wife lies dead in the house and I want $20 to bury her with." Three or four men looked at the watch, and then one Eugene Sullivan pulled out $20, handed it over, and put the watch in his pocket.—"Heaven bless you, mister," said the man, as he jumped off at Second street and hurried away. Then Mr. Sullivan looked at the watch again; others looked at it, and pretty soon it was discovered that such watches are worth about $4 apiece. One man laughed until he shook the car, and he said the game was twenty years old.

HOME.—Home is the one place in all this world where hearts are sure of each other. It is the place of confidence. It is the place where we tear off the mask of guarded and suspicious coldness which the world forces us to wear in self-defence, and where we pour out the unreserved communication of full and confiding hearts. It is the spot where expressions of tenderness gush out without any sensation of awkwardness, and without any dread of ridicule. Let a man travel where he will, home is the place to which "his heart untrammelled fondly turns." He is to double all pleasure there. He is to divide all pain. A happy home is the single spot of rest which a man has upon this earth for the cultivation of his noblest sensibilities.

SEEN TOO MANY.—The Lafayette (Ia.) Courier tells an amusing story of some young ladies and gents in that place who were taking a social walk near the cemetery, when a ghost appeared. They all ran but one sturdy woman of the strong minded class, who stood her ground till the ghost got to her, when she seized it, and thrashed out of his disguise a mischievious fellow, who heard the project of walking about the grave-yard discussed, and hid himself there to give the party a fright. She led him back to the house, and in reply to the questions that poured in upon her, said: "Can't fool me, I've seen too many men in sheets to be frightened at them."

☞An Illinois father offered his handsome daughter a cow for every Sunday night she would be without a beau, and how many cows do you suppose she earned in a year? Fifty-two? No, bub; she cow'dn't see it.—*Detroit Press.*

☞Frankie (aged four)—"Mamma, a lady at school kissed me to-day." Mamma—"Did she, dear? I hope you kissed her back." Frankie (indignantly)—"Kissed her back! No, I didn't; I kissed her cheek."

☞Ten thousand immoral and obscene novels could not have done the harm which the Beecher case has done, in teaching the science of wrong to thousands of quickwitted and curious boys and girls.

☞There is not a girl on the earth who does not envy the sister who wears small boots and has a big bustle.—*Yonkers Gazette.*

☞A mother-in-law is not a heavenly body, but she been known to eclipse a honey moon.

The Journal.

SATURDAY, NOV. 28, 1874

OUR councilor, E. H. Brewster, of Worthington, had a majority of 1,495, instead of less than 100 as at first stated.

THEY have got so high in proposing Prof. Seelye for office that they have just reached the position of president. Here the friends of the Prof. rest for the present.

THE grangers are unlucky. The state grange of Missouri has been robbed of all its treasures by its treasurer, the amount being over $20,000. So the honest farmers of the grange are not all honest men.

THE New York Herald hoax about the escape of wild animals on Central Park so affected Henry A. H. Martin of Plainfield, N. Y., that he was seized with a pain in the heart and died next day. Such is the result of sensation reading.

THAT story about the silver quarter given Chester W. Chapin by Major Morgan is traveling through the newspapers from one end of the country to the other. If the Major were alive to see his friend a congressman his cup of happiness would be full.

THEY have queer ways of doing things in New York courts. A few days ago a rich man named Pierce had three wives all alive, and he brought a suit to set aside his second marriage, on the ground that his first wife was still living, and after that he wanted his third marriage declared void. Here in Massachusetts that man would have been shut up for bigamy.

SOME of our scientific men are getting up a job for the next Legislature. They propose a new scientific survey of the State, which will give employment to a number of professors, and cost quite a pile of money. They don't pretend that the topographical or geological character of the State has changed any since the late Dr. Hitchcock made a thorough survey, but a new crop of scientific men have grown up who want business.

THE grape culture of California is immense. The vintage this year will reach 9,000,000 gallons, an increase of 5,000,000 over last year. Besides what has been made into wine, there was at least 50 lbs left for every person, old and young, in the State. Within the past ten years the grape culture of New England has many times doubled, and the yearly supply in our markets indicate that this fruit is a paying crop for farmers.

THE lawyers in the Beecher suits have succeeded in staving off trial for the present, and there is no promising when either of the suits will reach investigation. Perhaps it will be in the next generation. In the case of Henry O. Bowen against the Brooklyn Argus, a dismissal was ordered, no malice or intention to injure Mr. Bowen being shown. Mr. Bowen testified that the statement concerning the death-bed confession of his wife was totally false, and the assistant editor who wrote the account acknowledged he had been imposed upon.

TAKING advantage of the hard times, clergymen in several of the cities are moving to create a religious revival, contending that the time is very favorable because so many persons are unemployed and so much distress prevails in the community. They say men's hearts are readily touched during days of trouble, and they have hopes of bringing thousands of souls to Christ during the coming winter. This may be the true idea, but when souls are starved into righteousness we need not be surprised to see a falling from grace when prosperous times return.

A NEW political club has been organized at Boston for the purpose of bringing together men who are interested in reforming our politics. Hon. E. R. Hoar of Concord is president, and Hon. Henry L. Pierce is first vice president. This, with the Globe's new reform party, will do for this year. The new club is composed of those who have been leading politicians for many years, having done much at naming candidates, and planning campaigns. It is really clever to have them set up a show of immaculate purity just now and declare themselves the elect.

IN the bleak and dark days of November, just as winter is shutting in our home circles to the warm fireside, comes our great New England festival—Thanksgiving. It is the opening holiday of the winter season, very soon to be followed by Christmas and New Year. The season of Thanksgiving usually lasts through the week in which the appointed day is set, friends visiting each other and feasting upon the fat of the land. This happy season—the season of family reunions, of renewed friendships and cultivated affections—is none too dearly prized, none too faithfully observed. It keeps alive old family memories, reminds us of the paternal roof, the white locks that have gone down to the grave and the tottering steps that are hastening thither. It is a good time to remember the poor and give from out our store of plenty to those in want. The ways for observing the occasion appropriately are numerous, and best of all are the ways which will make other hearts happy.

☞A mine in Colorado was recently sold to a Holland company for $3,000,000.

The Official Vote.

THE official count of the vote of the State shows that the real republican strength was at least a majority of 12,013, over the democratic ticket. Though Mr. Gaston had a majority of 7,032 over Talbot, it is clear that this majority was due to the unpopular position of Gov. Talbot on the prohibitory law. But for this the whole republican ticket would have been triumphantly elected. The vote stood as follows:

FOR GOVERNOR.

William Gaston of Boston,	96,376
Thomas Talbot of Billerica,	89,344
Gaston's majority,	7,032

FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

Horatio G. Knight of Easthampton,	99,151
William L. Smith of Springfield,	87,138
Knight's majority,	12,013

FOR SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

Oliver Warner of Northampton,	104,465
Benjamin F. Mills of Williamstown,	82,026
Warner's majority,	22,439

FOR COUNCILOR—8TH DISTRICT.

E. H. Brewster of Worthington,	13,824
Harvey Arnold of North Adams,	12,329
Brewster's majority.	1,495

FOR CONGRESSMAN—10TH DISTRICT.

Julius H. Seelye of Amherst,	7,773
Charles A. Stevens of Ware,	7,353
Henry C. Hill of Gardner,	3,474
Seelye's plurality,	420

FOR CONGRESSMAN—11TH DISTRICT.

Chester W. Chapin of Springfield,	11,964
H. Alexander, Jr., of Springfield,	6,227
Chapin's majority,	5,737

REV. MARCUS AMES has resigned the superintendency of the Industrial School for girls at Lancaster, because he cannot agree with other officials in regard to its management. Mr. Ames thinks it best to keep the girls in school till 21 years of age, while others think it better to put them out at a younger age, and give them a chance for themselves.

L. J. POWERS wants to be next mayor of Springfield, and all the influences of the Springfield Club and club house will be invoked to secure his election. He is a go-ahead fellow and would not stop to think of economy. His administration would be of the 2 40 sort. Mr. Stebbins is of the conservative kind—too much so for those fast-gaited fellows of the club, yet thoughtful people think him the safer man for mayor.

ACCORDING to English statistics every young lady has one chance to marry, but that between 15 and 20 she has fifteen, and between 20 and 25 she stands the best chance, having 52 chances. Then her chances fall off rapidly, so that when she reaches 35, her chances are reduced to a little more than 3 per cent. In America the chances of marriage are geatest between 15 and 20. Unmarried ladies will consequently take due notice.

Hampden County.

—The receipts of the Black Crook in Springfield last week amounted to over $1000.

—The Ludlow mills have been closed to allow repairs to be made on their raceway for the winter.

—One of the engineers on the Boston & Albany R. R. has been discharged for fast running between West Brookfield and this station.

—Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Rich of Jeneksville celebrated the 5th anniversary of their marriage, last week, some 50 of their friends making them a surprise visit, accompanied by suitable presents.

—Allis Fowler, a son of the superintendent of the Conn. Valley R. R. at Westfield, was leading a bull to water, Sunday, when the animal escaped, and gored him so badly that he is not expected to live.

A REMARKABLE CASE.—A case is on trial at Pittsfield which excites great interest in that locality. It is a suit for $20,000 damages, brought by Edwin R. Wilson, a carpenter, against Dr. Lorenzo Waite, for the seduction of his wife, while making professional visits. Their criminal intimacy is alleged to have covered a period of six or seven years, during which time Mrs. Wilson gave birth to a child, of which the doctor is accused of being the father. He is also charged with destroying the life of another child by him, by abortion, and while attending her he charged her husband his regular fees, which he paid. About Sept. 19, 1873, she confessed the whole affair to her husband, and after he and the doctor had tried to settle the matter, he sued him for the above damages. Wilson and his wife are members of the Methodist church, but have not lived together since the confession. The little four years old girl, the fruit of the doctor's criminality, as is charged, is said to look like him, and has been in the court room during the trial. She is greatly beloved by Mr. Wilson, and is allowed $4 per week for her support. The doctor is said to have placed money in the bank for support of the child, and promised more. Mrs. Wilson swears that after the birth of the doctor's child, she and the doctor both took an oath "on the great Bible" that they would have intercourse with none but each other, and she had faithfully kept her oath and considered herself bound by it till the end of time. The doctor denies the whole story, and says it is a stupendous plot to blackmail him. Much of the testimony is unfit to be heard, but the court room is packed with young and old of both sexes.

☞Wagner, the Isle of Shoals murderer, in the State Prison, awaits calmly his fate, with the full epectation that the law will be executed upon him. His mind is not particularly of a pious kind, but he says that after he is gone the Almighty will cause the guilty individual to come forth from his hiding place and confess the dark deed, and thus, after his lips are sealed, the world will see that he (Wagner) was guiltless.

☞A singular death occurred recently near Eton College, England, where a woman, while watching a bonfire which the boys had made, died from the bursting of a blood vessel in her leg. She was making no exertion at the time.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

LOCAL NOTICES.

O. D. Morse, of the Central Shoe Store, Springfield, has the model idea. While he has but one price—that is, won't be beat down—no silly red tape prevents him from making that reasonable discount to purchasers of large quantities, to which they are justly entitled.

One of the sensations now in Springfield is the new tea and coffee store in Homer Foote's block. The walls are covered with pictures of Oriental scenery, the front is dazzling with red paint and pendant gas lights, and the prices are way down as you will see in another column.

....Our district schools commence next Monday.

....A splendid fashion periodical for the ladies is Harper's Bazar.

....Turkeys are poorer and scarcer this year than usual—all owing to the hard times, no doubt.

....Two snows but no sleighing yet. There's a chance for another Indian summer before Christmas.

....Only two drunken men went to the lock-up Thanksgiving. One was a turbulent fellow from Three Rivers.

....Episcopal services at the district court room Sunday evening at 7 o'clock, Rev. B. W. Atwill of Ware officiating.

....We haven't heard of anybody's appetite for turkey being affected by the hard times. But it was a little harder to get the turkey.

....The mill at Three Rivers stopped for Thanksgiving, and will not start till Monday, on account of repairs making in the canal.

....O. W. Studley, of the Palmer market, has been confined to his house for some time with serious illness, but is reported better.

....J. A. Squier has built a new trout house near the ice pond at Blanchardville, and made preparations to go into the business of trout culture.

....There will be Universalist services in the District Court room to-morrow at the usual hours of worship. Preaching by Rev. R. Q. Shinn of Southbridge.

....Cambridge Moulton, a boy employed at O. C. Marcy's livery stable, had his watch stolen from his pocket a few nights ago. The loss is to him a heavy one.

....Phillip Lamb, committed to the house of correction for drunkenness, for six months, has been let out by the overseers of the jail, after serving six weeks.

....A social dance was held at the Town Hall, Thursday evening, and all who attended report a good time. Music was furnished by a string band from Duckville.

....A "four days meeting" will be held at the Baptist church, conducted by Rev. John Shepardson of Wales, commencing on Tuesday evening, Dec. 1st, to which all the people are invited.

....Conductor Fish of this village, who has been running the short train to Amherst this week, was the recipient of an elegant gold watch on his 21st birthday, last Monday. With such a good start may he ever be "on time."

....Quite a number of young people from this village attended the grand ball of the Ancient Order of Hibernians of Monson, at Green's Hall in that town, last Wednesday evening, and "tripped the light fantastic toe" until the wee small hours of morning.

....Don't forget the entertainment at the district court room next Thursday evening. It is seldom our people have an opportunity of hearing so good an elocutionist as Mr. Denny, and he deserves a good audience if half that has been said in his praise is true.

....Our city dailies are enterprising in reporting Palmer news. In addition to giving names never heard of in this town, and mangling others so that they are unrecognizable. They get Connecticut and New York news all under the head of Palmer. But that is enterprise.

....The teachers' meeting for the benefit of the Sunday school teachers of the village has been revived again, and it is hoped will be made a union affair of all the churches. They are held at the Cong. vestry every Tuesday evening, and all interested in the study of the Bible are cordially invited.

....Henry Jones, who has kept a barber shop in this village for the past 20 years, proposes to open a shop at Collins' Depot, in T. G. Holton's block, opposite the depot, where he will have a man every Wednesday and Saturday, for the accommodation of the inhabitants of that vicinity, who may want work in his line.

....A boy in this village went into the post office Monday, during the shower, leaving his umbrella outside the door, but while gone, a man with a hardened heart came by that way, and calmly marched off with it, regardless of consequences. A man who will steal an umbrella from a little boy is worse than he who takes his local paper, and neglects to pay for it.

....The sale of tickets at the Boston & Albany R. R. station in this village, for the month of November, will average about $150 per day, or some $3300 for the month, and the tickets average about $1 each. This is doing well for the winter months. On the New London Northern R. R. the sales are about ⅓ less than last month and will amount to some $2000. The tickets on this road also average about the same, $1 each.

....Another slight change of time has been made on the New London Northern R. R., to take effect Monday next, by which the passenger train now leaving here at 8 30 p. m. for Amherst will be discontinued. The train which now leaves Amherst at 6 40 a. m. for this station is also discontinued, and a through mixed train from Brattleboro will take its place, arriving here at 6 20 a. m. There is no change in the time of the other trains.

....Mr. L. Whitefield, a correspondent of the Illustrated London News, with his wife and daughter, have been stopping at the American House for a week past. Mr. Whitefield has been making an extended tour through New England, taking sketches of the scenery, public buildings, etc., for the paper he represents. He succeeded in taking sketches in Boston before the great fire, and will return to make additional sketches of the city since its rebuilding.

....The Reform Club had an unusually interesting meeting last Sunday evening and a good audience. Rev. Mr. Fullerton presided, and speeches were made by Revs. Mr. Stevenson and Guilford of Monson, and the president of the club. All seemed to think there was no reason to be alarmed or disheartened in the cause on account of the results of the late election and the certainty of a license law. They argued in favor of moral suasion, and increased activity among temperance workers.

....Services were held at the Congregational church Thanksgiving day, Rev. Mr. Fullerton discoursing on the origin and early observance of Thanksgiving. The first, he said, took place in the autumn of 1621, in the Plymouth colony, and he particularized three other Thanksgivings as the country became more widely settled. He thought the advance of Protestantism at the present day is a cause for Thanksgiving as much as it was in the days of our forefathers, and we should accordingly thank God for this blessing.

....The Catholic fair which opened at Thorndike last week Wednesday evening for the benefit of the new Catholic church, is having a successful run, so much so that instead of closing last Tuesday evening it has continued through this week and proposes to close to-night (Saturday.) Among the articles drawn were a marble top table by Timothy J. Daly of Thorndike and a ton of coal by Henry Cross of the same place. There are several valuable articles remaining to be drawn, among which are a gold watch and a nice chamber set. Fine weather and a large attendance have no doubt made the fair a financial success.

....Imitating the plan which has been pursued with good success in Boston, Hartford, Springfield and other places, a Monday morning meeting for ministers has been instituted in this place. The first meeting was held at the Cong. vestry, on the 16th inst., with 14 ministers present of all denominations, from the surrounding towns of Ware, Belchertown, Wilbraham, Brimfield, Monson, West Brookfield, etc. The topic for discussion was the manner of preparing sermons. The meeting Monday morning was devoted more especially to three minute reports of the sermons preached by each minister the day before. Next Monday the subject is: "To what extent is a pastor responsible for a revival of religion?" to be followed by "plans of sermons" from three ministers, which will then be discussed by all. Palmer is so central a place that these meetings ought to be well sustained here, and they will undoubtedly be of much benefit to the ministers and through them to their congregations. The meetings open at 9 o'clock every Monday morning.

MONSON.

The sale of tickets for the Harmony course of lectures begins Wednesday morning, Dec. 2d, at J. M. Phipps' drug store. Those who wish to secure good seats should be on hand early. Gen. Kilpatrick opens the course.

BELCHERTOWN.

Sleighs were out with the late snow fall, and farmers did a little sledding.

Mr. Dickinson, a graduate of Amherst, is teaching the high school, which is in a prosperous condition. The fall term closed last week.

DISTRICT COURT.

On Monday Timothy Sullivan, drunk a few hours before, gave Judge Allen $10.50 for a view of his new court room.

On Wednesday, James Smith, of the tramp fraternity, was ordered to pay $8.60 for using too much poor liquor, and as he didn't happen to have the change about him, he went to see Sheriff Bradley about it.

On Friday, Chas. H. Parmenter of Brookfield, thought he had better settle with the judge for making his Thanksgiving supper out of gin slings instead of turkey, and at last accounts had sent home for $9.30 to do it with.

The same day Peter Stanton contributed $10 50 to the treasury of the Commonwealth, to help pay for the Hoosac Tunnel, or some other public enterprise, the only interest which he had in it being a noisy drunk at Three Rivers the night before.

Fourteen civil cases were entered in this court on the 3d of the present month, and twenty-two more on 22d.

AMHERST.

The college has a Thanksgiving recess of three days. About two thirds of the students have left town.

Prof. Seelye lectured Sunday evening on the "Remedy for Intemperance."

An item of news from South Hadley illustrates the workings of conscience in Mt. Holyoke Ladies' Seminary. A citizen there has received two letters from ladies containing respectively 50 cts. and $1, as compensation for apples taken from his orchard. Amherst citizens are anxiously awaiting a similar development among the college students.

President Clark has recived a flattering invitation from California to lecture on botany.

The Amherst student editors have been disciplined for criticising Prof. Tyler's eulogy of Mr. Williston, and for admitting to their columns objectionable items.

WARE AND VICINITY.

....Asahel Fairbanks has sold his mill property at Warren to J. B. Gould, who has heretofore leased the same for the grinding of meal and plaster.

....A lady customer at C. Hitchcock's boot and shoe store inquired a few days since for a half-past five shoe. Our friend, Richardson, the accommodating clerk, produced the required number.

....An original essay by S. A. Spooner, recitations by Fred. W. Gage and John T. Robinson, and vocal music, constitute a part of the program of exercises for the Reform Club's regular session next Monday evening. All are cordially invited.

....A double wedding occurred at the French Catholic church, Monday morning, Rev. Chas. Boucher officiating at the marriage ceremonies. The interested parties were Joseph Guertin and Hermenie Jacues; Moise Deslauriers and Calanire Gaoutte.

....All the churches in town held services on Thanksgiving day—a circumstance quite unusual in Ware. Rev. Dr. Perkins preached on the relations of Capital and Labor, and Rev. B. W. Atwill on the recognition of Jesus Christ in the Governor's proclamation.

....Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Billings, living in the western part of Hardwick, four miles north of this village, celebrated the 25th anniversary of their marriage on Friday evening of last week, about fifty of their friends being present on the occasion. The evening was very happily spent by all until midnight, when the company separated, not forgetting to leave with their host and hostess tokens of friendship and kind regard.

....About fifty couples joined in the annual Thanksgiving ball of the Grattan society, Wednesday evening, at Music Hall, music being furnished by the Ware Quadrille band under the leadership of L. O. Giffin. An oyster supper was provided by landlord Snow of the Hampshire House, but through some misunderstanding a portion of the company went to the Ware hotel for refreshment.

....The Ware Mission Band, at its annual meeting last Monday evening, elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Leader, Deacon John W. Cummings; secretary and treasurer, W. L. Demond; advisory committee, Daniel C. Gates, Geo. E. Winslow, Sanford Snow. The band numbers about thirty members, who conduct religious services at the Dist. No. 9 school house in Hardwick, on the evenings of Sunday and Wednesday each week.

....One of the happiest events of the season, in this vicinity, was that which called together at the hotel in Warren, Wednesday evening, a company of about fifty invited guests to witness the marriage of Miss Emma A. Hitchcock, and Mr. Chas. S. Lincoln, of the well known insurance agency of William Lincoln & Co. The ceremony was performed by Rev J. H. Moore, assisted by Rev. S. J. Austin. Rich and beautiful presents were bestowed upon the bride, in token of the esteem in which she is held by a large circle of friends in Warren and vicinity. The refreshments served by our generous hostess and family were all that could possibly be desired or expected. The guests, ladies in particular, of course, were elegantly dressed, to say nothing of the bride and groom, as well as bridesmaids and groomsmen. The affair was in every way a successful beginning to a happy married life for the young couple. The company separated soon after 11 o'clock, Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln leaving Warren on the express train for the west, and stopping at the Massasoit House, Springfield. They will be absent on their wedding tour about two weeks, going west as far as Chicago.

Labor Notes.

The shops in Hopedale, Milford, are now running on full time.

The Hartford Foundry and Machine Company are running their factory only eight hours per day.

There are at least fifty applicants for every place in the gift of candidates elected at the recent contest in New York city.

There are at least 70,000 men and women now out of employment in New York city, and in many of the poorer quarters whole families are now without the bare necessities of life.

Work at the Yankee and Moodus manufacturing companies' mills at East Haddam, Conn., is resumed, after a suspension of several weeks. There has been no reduction in wages.

It is stated that the management of the Hudson River and New York Central Railroad has issued an order reducing the wages of all laborers upon the various lines of the company ten per cent.

None of the large manufacturing companies in Lowell are working on short time, and there is considerable movement in goods; but in many of the mills a portion of the machinery is idle, on account of the depression in manufactures.

☞Look out for marriages about these days.

☞Several religious newspapers are in financial distress.

☞A vigorous onslaught on Freemasonry has begun in Illinois.

☞The ore of some of the Georgia gold mines is declared to yield $10,000 per ton.

☞A kind-hearted boy in Pennsylvania stole $700 and presented it to an orphan asylum.

☞Boston claims to have more students of music than any other city in America.

☞Prof. Seelye will be the only D. D. in Congress. But then, D. D. stands for a d—arnd many things.

☞Real estate business is exceedingly dull, a good deal of property having depreciated fifty per cent.

☞Revivalist Hammond has just closed a revival at Nashua, N. H., where he made over four hundred conversions.

☞A police court in Lawrence, Mass., had a father, mother, son and daughter arraigned together for intoxication.

☞Tramps are getting fewer in New England, the plan of arresting them as vagrants having been widely adopted.

☞Mr. Amos West, a former resident of Hartford, Conn., has been assassinated in Alabama for his political opinions.

☞It is suspected that Hagerty, now under arrest at Plattsburg for robbery, is the murderer of Miss Ball of St. Albans, Vt.

☞One hundred Norwich liquor dealers have resolved to spend the amount of their unpaid license fees in a legal contest.

☞The amount of gold realized from the sweepings of the royal Mint in London amounted last year to more than $11,476.

☞The Vermont Legislature is discussing the abolition of hanging and the removal of the power to pardon from the Governor.

☞The soil found around the slopes of Vesuvius is said to be an antidote to the potato disease and other fungoid diseases of plants.

☞Hopeless love drove a woman of 67 to suicide at Santa Ross, Col., the other day. That proves that love is not only blind, but aged.

☞Dr. Samuel G. Howe, having resigned the chairmanship of our Board of State Charities, F. B. Sanborn has been elected to that place.

☞A roof is supposed to be cavorting around in the wilds of Minnesota. It blew off a school house a month ago, and nobody has seen it since.

☞Several families have been poisoned in Dover, N. H., by eating cheese, the poison being some chemical used to give a yellow color to the cheese.

☞Lyman Powers, a railway conductor, was run over by the cars at White River Junction Saturday afternoon and lost both legs. He subsequently died.

☞The Illinois railroad commissioners order that all passenger cars be hereafter furnished with an axe, saw and bucket, to be used in case of fire or disaster.

☞A woman at Northwood, N. H., has a pair of shears that her mother bought on the day of the battle of Bunker Hill, and that haven't been sharpened since.

☞Frederick Douglass has reminded a lecture audience in Grafton, Mass., that thirty-two years ago he spoke there from his wagon, a hall or church being refused him.

☞Macon, Miss., has a sensation in the shape of a train of misty-looking cars, with a skeleton peering out of each window, which runs by the station at midnight without a sign or signal.

HEAVY.—Alexander H. Stephens, weighs just 80 lbs, and he is heavier than he was.

FALSE.—Commissioner Smith says Gen. Custer has been lying about the existence of gold in the Black Hill country. Shouldn't wonder.

TURNED PROTESTANT.—A Catholic clergyman of Baltimore has just been converted to Protestantism. He was brought out in a young man's prayer meeting.

TORNADO.—A terrible tornado recently swept over Kingston, Jamaica, destroying crops, houses and shipping estimated at more than $100,000. Many lives were lost.

KID GLOVES.—More kid gloves are sold every year in New York than in any city in the world. More than 250,000 dozen first class gloves were sold there last year.

GREAT SACRIFICE.—Over 700 barrels of whiskey were burned at Cincinnati, last week Friday night, and there is so much less fire water to quench the thirst of the thirsty.

YOUNG SUICIDE.—Henry Rosendale, a German boy 12 years old, hung himself at Billerica, a few days ago, because his father threatened to punish him for breaking panes of glass in the school house.

A GREAT SLANDER.—Seventy-five Rochester women are out in a card, denying that they sleep in corsets to keep their forms graceful. Of course they don't *sleep* in them, but they go to bed in them. That's the question.

THE YOUNGEST.—The youngest man in the next Congress will be J. D. White, Representative elect from the 9th Kentucky District, who has barely attained his twenty-sixth year. He is a graduate of the Kentucky University, and a lawyer.

REGULAR ATTENDANT.—The courts of Haddam, Conn., are regularly attended by a lunatic, who walks nine miles every morning and night for that purpose. His delusion is that the suits would all go wrong if he did not look after them.

ALL IN HOTELS.—The assessed valuation of the real estate of the entire village of Saratoga is not as great as the real worth of three of its hotels. This is not so bad as another town in New York where one cow sold for more than the total personal valuation of the place.

ANOTHE DUNCE.—A man in Portland, Or., is about to attempt the feat of walking from San Francisco to New York in 100 days. In case he succeeds he is to have $10,000, but if he fails will have nothing. May 1, 1875, is the time fixed for the attempt.

NARROW ESCAPE.—A woman in Manchester, N. H., came very near having two husbands Friday night. The ceremony of uniting her to a certain man was about to be performed, when her husband, who disappeared years ago, stepped into the room, and the proceedings came to a sudden stop.

DEPLORABLE TASTE.—Over eight hundred girls recently answered an advertisement for two hundred girls to take part in the ballet of a spectacular drama at a city theatre. In every city there are thousands of young girls who stand ready to fill any such want.

BADLY MIXED.—In Wisconsin, the other day, a wedding procession and a funeral procession met and got so badly mixed that the people living near the scene declare that they saw a funeral procession accompanied by a brass band, while the other half are ready to swear that a wedding procession passed, headed by a hearse.

INSANE ANNOUNCEMENT.—An insane stage driver arrested at Portland, the other day, created quite a sensation in church on Sunday by rising at the end of the discourse and saying: "Mr. Preacher, I want you to understand that I have got a horse that will trot in two minutes." The services in that church were closed immediately.

FRUITLESS SEARCH.—In Seneca county, Ohio, five hundred men are searching for Andrew Lowmaster, who went hunting in the woods two weeks ago and is supposed to be lost. They are guided in their movements by an old fortune teller, who tells them that Lowmaster has been made insane by exposure and hunger, and hides when he hears the searchers coming toward him.

HONEST AND HONORABLE.—They have got a very honest farmer up in Berkshire, and we'll venture he is not a politician. One of the Boston and Albany trains set fire to and burned up his fences, and Supt. Russell sent a man to prize the damages. The farmer thought he ought to have $35, but the railroad man estimated the damages at $50, and Mr. Russell sent the farmer the latter amount, which shows that some men have souls if corporations haven't.

DESTRUCTIVE STORM.—The storm of Tuesday evening was fearful in Alabama. At Tuscumbia houses were blown down and nearly one-third of the buildings were destroyed. The whole country, for a distance of thirty miles, was devastated. Trees were uprooted, houses demolished and fences torn down, over the entire distance. The total loss of life will, it is estimated, reach nearly thirty, of which six were killed at Tuscumbia. About a dozen or fifteen houses in Tuscumbia were swept away, and some were razed to the ground. It is expected that many other towns have suffered severely from the effects of the storm. Among the killed were Mrs. William Winston, mother of the late Governor Winston; the wife and two children of John B. Moore, Senator from that district; F. D. Hodsdon, editor of the Tuscumbia Chronicle, and his wife and four children. The Catholic church, the Dishter Female Institute, two flouring mills and many of the finest residences were destroyed. Many poor families were rendered homeless.

☞The Temperance Album of Boston, a weekly paper devoted to the interests of secret temperance societies, and the cause of temperance in general, has suspended for the present. It wasn't the election that smothered it, but delinquent subscribers and advertisers. It is too good a paper to be killed off in this way.

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Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said court, for probate, by Marietta Beebe who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her the executrix therein named, you are hereby cited to appear at a probate court to be held at Springfield, in said county of Hampden, on the first Tuesday of January next at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, against the same.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once a week, for three successive weeks, in the newspaper called the Palmer Journal, printed at Palmer, the last publication to be two days, at least, before said court.

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Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said court, for probate, by Elkanah Rogers who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him the executor therein named, you are hereby cited to appear at a probate court to be held at Springfield, in said county of Hampden, on the first Tuesday of January next at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, against the same.

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Were brighter—far brighter than all.

I remember the air precious laden, love,
With odors of jasmine and rose;
Yet the perfume that haunted your presence, love,
Was sweeter—far sweeter than those.

I remember the leaves overhead, love,
Trembling, stirr'd by the night wind's caress;
Yet the touch of your hand to my soul, love,
Sent a tremor no words can express.

I remember the night-singer's chant, love,
From his speech in the neighboring tree;
Yet the music that welled from your lips, love,
More entrancing by far was to me.

I remember, love, too, as the night waned,
The sounds gently ceased on our ears,
And our voices grew mute in the stillness,
But our hearts throbbed the raptures of years.

I remember, just then, how unheeling,
From the window your sire thrust his head;
And his speech (which I quote) was conclusive—
"Now, Libbie, skip right into bed!"

THE TEN-THOUSAND-DOLLAR GIRL.

On a certain day on a Pennsylvania railroad, a belle of a thriving Pennsylvania town, the daughter of a wealthy lumber merchant, was traveling in the same train with a shrewd old citizen of her native town, and an agreeable young gentleman from the West tells the following story:

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A TRICK.—The new one dollar legal tender note has upon its back two cross lines, which form almost the Roman figure ten. To the unpracticed handler of money a mere glance at the reverse would indicate that it represented on its back ten times the value of its face. In the South the colored people in many instances have received them for ten dollar bills, and the Treasury is advised that quite a profitable business has been carried on by some scamps in this way. These reports are supported by the collateral evidence which is furnished through the large number of bills of large denomination which have been changed for ones at the request of Southern correspondents by the United States Treasury. In Canada, it is said, the note, for this reason, is refused altogether, and a large number are daily received at the Treasury for exchange into other notes.

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☞A young lady who has been greatly annoyed by a lot of simpletons who stop under her window every night to sing, "If ever I cease to love," wishes us to say that if they will stop their foolishness, and come in and talk business they will confer a favor.

☞A Pittsburg post office clerk was some what flurried when a well dressed man called for $5000 worth of letter and paper stamps and passed through the window to pay for them five crisp $1,000 bills. He was a patent medicine man.

☞An exchange says that a good hen can earn a newspaper a year by laying a few eggs, but asks, "what does a hen want of a newspaper, anyway?" So her democratic rooster can have a place to crow!

☞According to an Auburn paper, they are going to put up in that city an additon to their seminary, "to accommodate eighty-six students 200 feet long."

☞What's the use, in these days, trying to be honest? exclaimed a grumbler. Oh, you ought to try it once and see, retorted one of his companions.

☞The Shah frightens his wives into submission by wearing a European plug hat pulled down threateningly over his right eye.

☞"All the the girls are becoming vegetarians. They wear turn-up-hats." And red noses and cherry cheeks.

☞A philosopher has discovered that men don't object to be overated, except by assessors.

☞Why was ruth very rude to Boaz? Because she pulled his ear and trod on his corn.

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Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said court, for probate, by Marietta Beebe who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her the executrix therein named, you are hereby cited to appear at a probate court to be held at Springfield, in said county of Hampden, on the first Tuesday of January next at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, against the same.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once a week, for three successive weeks, in the newspaper called the Palmer Journal, printed at Palmer, the last publication to be two days, at least, before said court.

Witness, William S. Shurtleff, Esquire, judge of said court, this twenty-fourth day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

SAMUEL B. SPOONER, Register.
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"They Say."

"They say"—ah! well, suppose they do,
But can they prove the story true?
Suspicion may arise from naught
But malice, envy, want of thought;
Why put yourself among the "they"
Who whisper what they dare not say?

"They say"—but why the tale rehearse,
And help to make the matter worse?
No good can possibly accrue
From telling what may be untrue;
And is it not a noble plan
To speak of all the best you can?

"They say"—well, if it should be so,
Why need you tell the tale of woe?
Will it the bitter wrong redress,
Or make one pang of sorrow less?
Will it the erring one restore
Henceforth to "go and sin no more."

"They say"—Oh! pause and look within;
See how thy heart inclines to sin;
Watch, lest in dark temptation's hour
Thou, too, should sink beneath its power;
Pity the frail, weep o'er their fall,
But speak of good or not at all.

FRED'S SPECULATION.

Mrs. Gorham put down a letter she had been reading, and looking round the table at her blooming daughters, and two tall, handsome sons, said in a doubtful tone:

"Your Aunt Sabina is coming to the city, and has invited herself here."

"When?" asked Arabella, with an intonation of intense disgust.

"She will come by the train that reaches here at four o'clock this afternoon. Wil., you will have to meet her."

"Sorry, ma, but I have promised to drive Miss Caldwell to the park. Fred. can go."

"Certainly I will go," Fred. said gravely, though there was a hot flush on his forehead; "I am very fond of Aunt Sabina."

"No nonsense!" said his mother, "You have not seen her for fourteen years. I never went near the detestable old farm after your father died."

"Nevertheless, I have a vivid recollection of Aunt Sabina's kindness when we were there, of her doughnuts and cookies, and bowls of milk with red strawberries in them."

"Dear me, Fred," drawled Lucilla, "don't be sentimental. I wish the old thing would stay at home and fry doughnuts. I can't imagine what she is coming here for."

"She is our father's sister," said Fred. "and I cannot find anything surprising in her looking for a welcome amongst her brother's children."

Mrs. Gorham shrugged her shoulders. If she had spoken her thought it would have been:

"Fred. is so odd! Just like his father!"

But she only said:

"I may depend upon you, then, to meet your Aunt, Fred.? I will see about her room."

It was a source of great satisfaction to Mrs. Gorham that her children were all like herself, "true Greers every one of them, except Fred," she would say, congratulating herself that the plebian blood of "Gorham *pere*" was not transmitted in the features of her elder son Wilber, or any of the three girls.

That Greer pride meant intense selfishness; that Greer beauty was of a cold, hard type; that Greer disposition was tyrannical and narrow-minded, did not trouble Mrs. Gorham. That the son who was "all Gorham," was proud to the core with the true pride that owns no false shame, that he was noble in disposition, handsome in a frank, manly type, generous and self-sacrificing, she could not appreciate. His hands and feet were not so small as darling Wil.'s; he had no fashionable affectations, and no "Greer" look. So his mother thought him rough and coarse, and his sisters declared that Fred. had no style at all.

But outside of the home, where great show of wealth was made by many private companies, Fred. was more appreciated. When he became a man, and knew that his father's estate, though sufficient to give them every comfort, was not large enough for the extravagances his mother indulged in, he fitted himself for business and took a position in a counting house as book-keeper, thus becoming self-supporting, though his mother declared no Greer had ever been in trade. That the money she lived on was made in soap-boiling, the fashionable lady ignored entirely. Darling Wil. had studied law, but his clients had not yet appeared, and Mrs. Gorham supported him, trusting his fascinations would touch the heart of some monied belle.

Miss Caldwell was the present hope. She was her own mistress, an orphan heiress, and very handsome. That she was proud and rather cold in manner, was only an additional charm to Mrs. Gorham, and Lucilla, Arabella and Corinne were enthusiastic in their admiration of "Cornelia Caldwell's queenly manner."

Nobody suspected that Fred., blunt, straightforward Fred., hid one secret in his heart confessed to no living being. And that secret was a love, pure and true, for Cornelia Caldwell—a love that would shut itself closely away from any suspicion of fortune-hunting—that only drooped and mourned, thinking of the heiress. At four o'clock Fred. was at the depot with a carriage waiting for Aunt Sabina. What a little old-fashioned figure she was, in her quaint black silk bonnet and large figured shawl. But Fred knew her kindly old face at once, though he had not seen it since he was twelve years old.

"You are Aunt Sabina," he said, going quickly to meet her.

She looked at the handsome face, and caught a quick, gasping breath.

"You must be one of John's boys," she said. "How like you be to your pa."

"I am Fred.," he answered.

"Dear heart! How you've grown! Is your ma here?"

"She is waiting for you at home."

The good old country-woman had never had the least doubt of a warm welcome at her brother's house, and Fred. certainly confirmed her expectations. He found the old black-leather trunk, the bag, the band box, the picture paper bought on the cars, the great bungling umbrella, and put them all in the carriage without one smile of ridicule. He made his aunt go to the restaurant and refresh herself with hot coffee and oysters before starting home. He listened with respectful interest to all the mishaps of the long journey, and sympathized with the—

"Ruination of every mortal stitch I've got on, dear, in the dust and smoke."

And he chatted pleasantly of his childish recollections of the tiny house and wide farm in the far West, where Aunt Sabina lived.

"You see," she told him, "I made up my mind that if the ten-acre lot done well this year I would come to New York once before I died. I've lotted to come 'fore now, dear, but something or 'nuther allers hindered. Dear! dear! You've all growed up, I s'pose, and you was a lot o'babies last time poor John brought you to see me."

"Corinne is the youngest, and she is eighteen. Wilber is the only one older than I am."

"Yes, I remember. Well, deary, I am glad that John's wife raised such a fine family. I'm only an old maid, but I do love children and young folks."

But a chill fell upon the kindly old heart when home was reached at last, and four fashionably-dressed ladies gave her a strictly courteous greeting. But for the warm clasp of Fred.'s hand I think she would have returned to the depot by which she came, so wounded and sore she felt.

"Not one kiss," she thought, "and Fred. kissed me at the train, right afore all the folks."

Fred. slipped a silver dollar into the hand of the servant girl who was to wait upon his aunt, promising another if she was very attentive, and himself escorted the old lady to her room.

It was not often the young man's indignation found voice, though it grew hot over many shams and acts of hard selfishness in the house of his mother, but he said some words on that occasion which called a blush to the cheeks of the worldly women.

It was not a very busy season, and finding Aunt Sabina was likely to have a sorry time if left to the other members of the family, Fred. asked for a week's holiday, and appointed himself the old lady's escort. He was too proud to care for the fact that the quaint little figure on his arm attracted many an amused glance; but gravely stood by while a new dress for Dolly, the dairy maid, and a "city necktie" for Bob the ploughman, were purchased; gave undivided attention to the more important selection of a new black silk for auntie herself; and pleasantly accepted a blue silk neck scarf with large red spots, that was presented to him, appreciating the love that promoted the gift, and mentally resolved to wear it when he paid a promised visit to the Western farm.

He drove Aunt Sabina to Central Park, and enjoyed her delight over the then new enterprise of the city fathers. He took her to see all the sights. Once or twice, meeting some of his gentleman friends, they had thought, "The queer old party is some rich relation, Gorham is so attentive," and had delighted Aunt Sabina by their deferential attentions. Once—Fred. had not counted on that—in a picture gallery, Cornelia Caldwell sauntered in alone.

She had heard of Aunt Sabina, through the disgusted comments of Lucilla, and knew she had no property but a "miserable farm out West, with a house on it about as big as a bird-cage," but she greeted Fred. with a smile far more cordial than she usually gave her admirers.

A little lump came into Fred.'s throat; then he gravely introduced the stately beauty, in her rustling silk, and heavy velvet, to the little old-fashioned figure on his arm:

"My Aunt Miss Gorham, Miss Caldwell."

They admired the pictures together, and the young lady was cordial and chatty. As they came down the steps, Miss Caldwell said:

"You must let your aunt drive an hour or so with me, Mr. Gorham. I am going to do some shopping, so I will not tax your patience by inviting you to join us; but I shall be pleased if Miss Gorham will dine with me, and you will call for her this evening."

Then she smiled again, made Aunt Sabina comfortable in the carriage and drove off, leaving Fred. forty times deeper in love than ever, as she intended he should be.

"He is a very prince of men," she thought, and I'll give him one day of rest. Bless the dear old soul, she has just such blue eyes as my dear grandmother!"

Then she won Aunt Sabina's confidence, and found she was worrying about the purchase of certain household matters that could not go in the black leather trunk, and that she did not like to worry Fred. about. She told her of the express convenience, and drove to the places where the best goods could be had, keeping guard over the slender purse, against all imposition, till the last towel was satisfactorily chosen and directed.

Then she drove her home, and brought her to the room where "grandmother" was queen, knowing the stately old lady would make the country-woman welcome.

In the evening that followed, Fred.'s heart was touched and warmed, till, scarcely conscious of his own words, he told his long-cherished secret, and knew that he had won love for love.

Aunt Sabina stayed two weeks, and then left for home, to the immense relief of the Gorhams, and carrying no regret at leaving any but Fred. and Cornelia.

It was not even suspected in fashionable circles that Cornelia spent four weeks in the height of the summer season listening to the praises of Fred, at Aunt Sabina's tiny farm-house, and even Fred. did not know it till he came too, after he was gone, and had his share of the pleasure of hearing loving commendation of one he loved.

He wore the necktie, and made himself so much at home that Aunt Sabina wept some of the bitterest tears of her life when he left.

"To have you both and lose you!" she sobbed.

"Next time we will come together." Fred. whispered, and so consoled her.

But alas! the next time Fred. came was to superintend the funeral of the gentle old lady, and though Cornelia came too, his happy wife, there was no welcome in the pale lips, or the blue eyes closed forever. But the will the old lady left, gave all her worldly possessions to her "dear nephew, Frederick Gorham," the forty-acre farm and the tiny farm house. It was apparently no very great legacy, and Cornelia smiled at many of the old-fashioned treasures she found hoarded away, though she touched all with the tender reverence death leaves.

Ten years ago, Aunt Sabina was laid to rest in her narrow coffin, and now there is a busy, flourishing city around the site of the old farm.

Mr. Frederick Gorham lives in Fifth avenue, and handles immense sums of money, the rents of stately buildings in the Western city.

"Made his money, sir, by Western speculations," you will be told, if you inquire as to his source of income, "a fortunate purchase of ground before the city was thought of."

But I who know, tell you that the only speculation he made was, in the kindness of his heart, extending loving attentions to his father's sister, and that the only Western land he owned was Aunt Sabina's farm.—*N. Y. Ledger.*

BUTTERBY'S DOG.

I had charge of Butterby's dog this summer. I was not very anxious to take charge of him, but I am under obligations to Butterby, and when he asked me to keep the animal for him while he went to the sea shore I didn't like to refuse. Butterby brought him around and turned him into the cellar, where he could amuse himself hunting for rats. That was on the 12th of June, and after that only two persons entered the cellar. The hired girl went down after the cold beef, and came up, disheveled and bleeding, with a number of appalling dog-bites on her legs, and I descended immediately afterward for the purpose of pacifying the infuriated animal. He did not feel disposed to become calm, however, and I deem it probable that if I had not suddenly clambered into the coal-bin, where I remained until he fell asleep in a distant corner four hours later, I should certainly have been torn to pieces. We thought we would have to try to get along without using the cellar until Butterby could come on and take away his dog; but Butterby wrote to say that he couldn't come, and the dog, after eating everything in the cellar, and barking all through every night, finally hoited up stairs into the kitchen on the 2d of July, and established himself in the back yard. Since that time we have used the front door exclusively, while we were waiting for Butterby to come up. The dog had fits regularly, and always got on the geranium bed when he felt them coming on, and consequently we have not enjoyed our flowers so much this season as we hoped to. The cherries were ripe during the reign of Butterby's dog, but they rotted on the trees, all but a few which were picked by Cooley's boy, who subsequently went over the fence in a sensational manner, without stopping to ascertain what Butterby's dog was going to do with the mouthful of drawers and corduroy that he had removed from Cooley's boy's legs. As Butterby did not come up, as the dog would not touch poison, and as I never shot at him without missing him by forty feet, I employed another and effectual means of ridding myself of him. We were to have fireworks in the village on the Fourth, but as it rained the exhibition did not take place. The man who had charge of it had several large rockets on his hands, and after buying eight of those, and tying them in a bunch, I contrived to lesso the dog and fasten the end of the rope to the rockets. Then I touched them off, and Butterby's dog was swishing around among the celestial constellations, in some doubt as to the stability of earthly things. He came down in New Jersey in an under-done condition, with his hair off. When Butterby comes up I expect trouble; but I am prepared for it.—*Max Adeler.*

THE WRONG BED-ROOM.

A married Johnny went marching home blind drunk the other night, and thought he was climbing into the window of his house, but got into the hog pen instead, where a fat porker lay snoozing. He took off his clothes, hung them over the trough, and laid himself down beside his "Betsy," as he thought. After grumbling awhile at Betsy for breathing so loud, he began feeling for the cover, and soliloquized:—"Mighty curus. Kiver must a fell on 'er floor—prob'ly under bed. I say, ole ooman, how yer got yerself fixed? Bess feels awful curus—brisseis! zis a 'markable coincicurrence! Old gal 'as sadly changed since last we met. Wonner wer zer'ed (get's hold of the hog's tail)—ha—ah—ah, I say, Bess, howy's got yer hair fixed? Beats all, twis'ed, squirled (hic) like a heathen Chinee. Let's unwrap it It's tighter n 'li—so am I. Disgustin' way to wear hair. Don't care whether it's style or not—'s got to come down. Say, where's yer nose?—Strange—yer had a nose. Now, look y'r, ole ooman, this (hic) d—d foolishness perceeded far enough, Perduce that nose or I'll ki—(hic)—ck you outer bed." The man's wife, attracted by the noise, appeared upon the scene at this critical moment, and managed to get her inebriated lord into the house, he muttering all the while, "'At's not right, Bets—take 'vantage my feeble condition to turn me outer house an' home. Be sorry for zis when yer get (hic) sober."

☞"How do you feel with such a shocking coat on?" said a young clerk of some pretentions one morning to old Roger. "I feel," said old Roger, looking at him steadily with one eye half closed, as if taking aim at his victim, "I feel, young man, as if I had a coat on which has been paid for—a luxury of feeling which I think you will never experience."

☞One of the excursionists on a Lake Champlain boat, recently, went to sleep on deck, and in the morning couldn't find his shoes. Where did you put them?" asked a sympathizing friend. "I opened that little cupboard and laid them on the shelf," he replied. The victim had opened the wheel-house and laid his shoes on the paddle-wheel.

☞"Mamma, where do the cows get the milk?" asked Willie, looking up from the foaming pan of milk that he had been intently regarding. "Where do get your tears?" was the answer. After a thoughtful silence he again broke out, "Do the cows have to be spanked?"

☞Sixteen years ago a man in Vermont left his house and went to borrow a hoe. As he has not returned his wife begins to be anxious and wonders where he is.

☞"Visitors to the White Mountains are falling off," read Aunt Dorothy. "Poor things, I suppose they are all crushed to pieces."

☞The most bitter critics we have are those who have failed themselves to write anything worth reading.

KILLED ON A COWCATCHER.

Landon Collins, a young man about twenty-two years of age, of an alert disposition which earned him the sobriquet of "Crick," a diminution of "cricket," was formerly a fireman on the well-known East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia Railroad. Work giving out there, Collins turned his face East Tennesseeward, and by dint of hard walking, his money having giving out, arrived at Knoxville. On Friday night he thought to get on to his friends in upper East Tennessee, and concluded to steal a ride on the freight train. Getting within an empty box car he rode as far as Rogersville Junction. The night being cool, he bethought himself a warm niche in front of of the engine, over the cowcatcher. When the engine stopped at the junction, Collins ensconced himself in the darkness of the niche, and the train drove onward. Rattling along at a furious pace an hour after midnight, the engine ran into a belated bull and tossed the great animal upon the poor fellow, cowering in dread of his fate. What his feelings must have been, as with starting eyeballs, he watched in the fierce gleam from the headlight, the space between the engine and the bull momentarily lessened, can be imagined, but described. Moments must have seemed to him an eternity. The engineer, of course, noted that he had knocked a bull from the track, but was all unconscious of the battered Collins clinging desperately to his frail hold in front of the engine. Shipping the train at Lick Creek, the next station above, the engineer, while oiling his engine, heard, the poor fellow's groans, and, looking around, was just in time to catch poor Collins as he fell from the engine. Carefully lifting him, groaning and weak, the engineer carried him to Henderson's, where he left him in care of a friend. Our informant saw Collins yesterday; ribs and arms broken and face battered and body bruised. The physicians have small hopes of his recovery. "Crick" Collins was well liked by his friends. His has been an unfortunate family; one brother, Hiram Collins, was killed on the Mobile and Ohio Railroad about three years ago, and not long after another brother, D. A. Collins, was killed near Philadelphia, Tenn., by the engine of a mail train turning over. A cousin, Richard Collins, lost his life, near the same time, by the explosion of an engine at Knoxville.

A BAD HABIT.

This morning a very pretty young lady rode in the horse car which daily conveys us down town; and as she sat just within our range of vision, we could not help observing the "handkerchief flirtation" she presently commenced with an exquisite seated opposite. That both enjoyed the sport was evident; and her blushing, dimpled face was so pleasant to look at that one would think her secure from ill-natured remarks, but presently, when the coquette left the car, my ears tingled as I heard what her partner in the pleasant game audibly whispered to a companion; while the girl went her way, her pulses still tingling with gratified vanity, never dreaming that ten minutes' folly had jeopardized her good name. If all young ladies who pride themselves on their skill and tact in the art of flirtation, could only hear all that is said of them behind their backs, we think they would renounce their indelicate blandishments forever, if not past that wholesome indication of shame, for the false part they had so far played on society. The practical flirt is looked upon by all young men, save those who are green enough to be her victims, merely as a piece of human trumpery with whom it may be well enough to while away an hour or two now and then, when nothing better in the way of amusement offers.—*Exchange.*

ONE OF PARSON BROWNLOW'S.—Parson Brownlow tells a good story of an old Presbyterian bachelor preacher, known almost as a woman-hater until he was fifty years old, when he married and settled somewhere among the mountains of North Carolina. The parson says: Our bachelor friend was preaching on the sinner's excuses. "I have bought a piece of ground, and wish to go and see it," said one. Here is want of inclination to attend to divine things, said the preacher. Another said, "I have bought five yoke of oxen, and must needs go and prove them." This seems a case of necessity. A third said, "I have married a wife and therefore cannot come." "Here is a case of *natural impossibility*, from which we may infer," continued our bachelor preacher, "that *one woman will pull a man further from the Lord than ten steers.*"

DR. BEECHER'S LESSON.—Henry Ward may have learned something from his father, who used to tell the following story: When I lived in Litchfield I wanted a book from the college library. I got the book and moved along homeward. Reaching one of the long hills, I got out to walk. I took my book with me lest it should jostle out. Just before the horse a black and white squirrel was seen crossing the road quite at his leisure. I said "shoo!" but he did not hasten. I shied a stone at him. The little creature stopped, turned and looked me square in the face. In my zeal I hove the book at him. I had to get a new suit of clothes and burn my old ones. I then made a solemn vow never again to throw my Body of Divinity at a skunk."

TWO FAVORS.—At a late assize in Ireland two men were condemned to be hanged. On receiving their sentence one of them addressed the judge and said he had two favors to ask of him. "What are they?" asked his lordship. "Plase your honor, will you let me hang this man, before I am hanged myself?" said Pat. "What is the other request?" said the judge. "Why, plase your honor, will you let my wife hang me, for she will do it more tenderly than the hangman—and then what she will receive for the job will help the poor cratur to pay her rent."

☞A square flag-stone of some eighty pounds weight was recently shoved out of place in an English town by the united efforts of only three mushrooms growing under it.

☞If you wake up in the night in an Italian hotel and shoot a burglar, the chances are that you can't see the landlord next morning and that his wife is a widow.

The Journal.

SATURDAY, DEC. 5, 1874.

Free Postage.

After January 1st, 1875, we shall be required to *prepay postage* on all copies of our paper going beyond the limits of this county. We shall not, in consequence of this law, increase our subscription rates, but to subscribers who, on or before the 31st of December, *pay all arrearages and one year in advance*, we shall send our paper, *free of postage*. To those who fail to comply with these terms we shall *add the amount of postage to their bills, or discontinue their papers, at our option.*

GEN. BUTLER predicts that the Republican party has gone up, and that a new party is to arise based on a protective tariff and paper money. That is "2 mutch."

THE State Board of Agriculture held an unusually interesting three days meeting at Westfield this week with addresses by prominent agriculturists and horticulturists.

IT seems that Prof. Seelye did not spend even a postage stamp on his election, but it cost his backers little less than $1000. He will be an ungrateful fellow if he don't remunerate them.

THE Jersey city Presbytery after a three weeks trial of Rev. Mr. Glendenning for the alleged seduction of the young lady organist of his church, Miss Pomeroy, have declared him innocent of the charge, even in the face of her positive death-bed statement of his guilt.

MR. L. H. POWERS declines being a candidate for mayor of Springfield, on account of his private business, and this renders the re-election of Mayor Stebbins pretty certain. Other names are mentioned, but at present there is no concentration of the Republicans upon a candidate.

ALL Boston is amazed at the wonderful spiritual manifestations made through a Mrs. Hardy, a medium. At her seances the spirits materialize themselves in a manner that astonishes the beholders. Hands and faces are seen and recognized, and their touch is often felt.

AT the Holyoke city election on Tuesday, Mayor Pearson was re-elected by a majority of 140. The greatest strife, however, was in the choice of city treasurer, and resulted in the election of William Whiting, the paper manufacturer, by a majority of 10 over the present incumbent.

THE Northern Pacific Railroad will come in for a lift at the coming session of Congress. Its friends see no way of reviving it except by congressional aid, and it is said parties are now in Washington buttonholing members as they arrive for the purpose of getting them interested in the subject.

CONGRESS meets next Monday for a short session, ending the fourth of March. Various predictions are made in regard to what course will be taken to restore confidence in the administration, and to improve the currency. The inflationists are feeling sure of increasing the currency, but they have the President against them, which argues ill for their cause. The President's message will be ready for distribution on Monday.

THE head of all the Hindoos in India died on the 8th of October, and his body was burned on a funeral pile outside the city with imposing ceremonies. He had 500 wives and concubines, and many of them were anxious to be burned with his body. Three days before his death he was placed in a scale and gold enough placed in the other to balance him, and the gold was distributed among the people. He was bedecked with gold and jewels before being laid on the funeral pile.

MAYOR Havemeyer of New York died very suddenly at his office Monday morning, of heart disease. He had been out into the country to visit a friend and on account of a delayed train, had to walk three miles in the face of a strong wind, and the over-exertion resulted fatally soon after his arrival at his office. Alderman Vance, a staunch republican, takes his vacant place for the month which must elapse before Mayor-elect Wickham comes into power. The flags of the city were displayed at half mast during the day out of respect to his memory.

NEXT Tuesday evening another of those heavenly wonders which interest astronomers and amaze the population of the globe will occur in the transit of Venus. No person now living has ever witnessed a transit of this planet, and after 1882 no one of that century will witness the phenomenon. The transit next Tuesday will not be witnessed east of the California coast, and comparatively few persons in the United States will observe it. Scientific men have erected stations in the Pacific Ocean where they will take observations. The planet Venus is our brightest and loveliest star, alternating between evening and morning, and it flashes with a brilliancy unknown to all others in the firmament.

☞Among the escort given the Prince and Princess of Wales on their recent visit to Birmingham were twenty persons riding on bicycles.

☞Ralph Waldo Emerson will write the inscription for the Lexington monument, and will deliver the address at its dedication.

☞A prodigal collier at Sheffield, England, feeds his sporting dog on nice mutton and fresh eggs, with port wine.

SENTENCED.—T. T. Brooks, who was convicted of embezzlement and making false entries, while president of Merchants National Bank at Petersburg, was last week sentenced at Richmond, Va., to five years in the penitentiary.

THE CUNARDS.—The Cunard line of steamships is held by three families, the Cunards, the Burns and the MacIvers, the management resting with Mr. William Cunard, London, Mr. John Burns, Glasgow, and Mr. Charles MacIver, Liverpool.

HEAVY VERDICT.—In the Waite-Wilson case, for seduction, at Pittsfield, last week, the jury rendered a verdict of $10,000 damages against Dr. Waite. A new trial is asked for, and the people of that locality who know the parties consider the damages excessive.

A FAST MAIL.—It is proposed to established a fast and exclusive mail train between New York and Chicago. This train it is said can be run in about twenty-four hours. It would reduce the time between the two cities about twelve hours, and would be a great benefit to the public.

AN UNBAPTIZED BISHOP.—It seems that the Bishop of Canterbury was not properly baptized in his infancy and declines to be now. The shocking result is that all his official acts, including the confirmation of many clergymen, and we know not how many marriages, are considered illegal.

SMART GIRLS.—There are seven girl students in the Colby University, at Waterville, Me. The males have protested against the innovation, but the females behave so well, and are so far above the average of their classmates in scholarship, that the prejudice against them is dying out.

A SMART OLD MAN.—John Baptiste Aortix is the oldest white inhabitant of St. Louis, having been born in that city, of Spanish parants, 84 years ago. This gentleman imported the first hearse in St. Louis, the first game cock, saw the first steamboat land at the wharf, and has raised nineteen orphan children.

CRUSHED TO DEATH.—Amos Collins, an eccentric but harmless man, about forty-five years old, was almost instantly killed on Saturday night at Brattleboro. He was assisting in putting a new safe into the vault of the Vermont National Bank, and in replacing the door, weighing 4500 lbs, the propping gave away, and he was crushed beneath the door.

PROF. SEELYE'S COMPANIONS.—It seems to be finally settled that the next House of Representatives will have four clergymen—Prof. Seelye, Rev. Mr. Munroe (Congregationalist) of the 18th Ohio district, Rev. G. Willard (Presbyterian) of the third Michigan, and Rev. W. H. Felton of the seventh Georgia. Gen. Garfield was also a minister, years ago, in the Campbellite church.

A GOOD LESSON.—Two young men were lounging in front of Masters & Preston's drug store in Springfield, Sunday evening, and one of them, in executing a balancing trick which he hadn't fully mastered, fell backward in a manner not satisfactory to himself, as he leaned too heavily against the plate-glass window of the drug store, and is $150 out thereby. He wishes he had gone to church.

WATERLOO AND SEVEN WIVES.—Nichols Bicker, a man aged over eighty years, fell dead at the corner of Lombard and Front streets, at Baltimore, on Thursday. He was at work at Bay View Asylum, and came to the city occasionally, to visit his seventh wife. He was a Frenchman and fought with distinguished bravery at the battle of Waterloo, under the first Napoleon.

WELL DONE.—A New York jury and a New York judge has actually gone and done it—broken the spell of 22 years immunity, and convicted and sentenced a liquor dealer, one Sibismond Schwab, to 30 days in the city prison, and to pay a fine of $200 for selling without a license. The judge furthermore warned the liquor dealers that, if their organized resistance to the law continued the full penalty of the law would be meted out in all future cases.

VALUABLE HORSES BURNED.—The stock stable of J. M. Calloway at Eminence, Ky., was burned Saturday morning, together with its contents, including 28 horses, several mules, all the carriages, etc. Among the horses were the thorough-bred stallion "Gold Chief," valued at $5000, and the thorough-bred stallion "Hambeltonian Star," valued at $3000. Total loss on stable and contents $22,250, insurance only $3000.

A TERRIBLE REVENGE.—Cassie Arp, a negro girl in Kingston, Ga., stole potatoes from her employer, and was seen doing it by a three-year-old boy, who told of her theft and so caused her punisment. A few days afterwards, Cassie led the boy into the woods and returned without him, saying that he had started alone for the house before her. She threw him into a pond by way of revenge, and his body was subsequently recovered.

ECONOMICAL.—There was one office left, it seems, for which Prof. Seelye had not been nominated by somebody, and the Troy Times hastens to the rescue. That paper suggests that he be made chaplain of the House; the presiding officer, it urges, is chosen from among the members, and there is no sufficient reason why the chaplain shouldn't be; the duties of the place needn't interfere with those of the representative; and finally, the salary of the chaplain might thus be saved, as Mr. Seelye would doubtless be willing to do the work for nothing.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

LOCAL NOTICES.

Great bargains in Human Hair Switches announced in another column, at Madam Mauger's store.

J. F. Holbrook wishes to inform the public that all coal bills due him MUST *be paid* before Jan. 1st, 1875.

Wondrously beautiful and select. Appleton shows the best stock ever seen in Western Massachusetts.

The great sale of Brown & Co., in Springfield, announced in another column, will attract much attention. Many of the gifts are just what is needed for cold weather.

....Look out for "the chronicles."

....And now the merchants are laying in their holiday stock.

....The public schools of Palmer commenced on Wednesday, with but few changes of teachers.

....Rev. A. E. P. Perkins, of Ware, exchanged with Rev. Mr. Fullerton of the 2d Cong. church last Sabbath.

....J. L. Bacon and his associates furnished the music for the dancers at the Antique House, Friday evening.

....The time-honored sign of L. Dimock has been brightened up considerably, and shines forth with new glory.

....C. L. Gardner was representative from the Palmer grange at the annual meeting of the State grange, P. of H.

....Episcopal services at the District Court Room Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. Rev. B. W. Atwill of Ware will officiate.

....The four-days meeting at the Baptist church commenced Tuesday evening with a good attendance, Rev. Mr. Shepardson preaching the sermon.

....A darkey minstrel show is booked for the town hall this evening, and the devotees of burnt cork will undoubtedly be found there, though in small force.

.... The "Virginia Jubilee Singers" gave a concert at the Nassowanno Hall, Wednesday evening. They were no relation to the Hampton colored vocalists as many supposed from their advertisements.

....The Ladies' Society of the second Cong. church meet with Mrs. Albert Burleigh next Wednesday afternoon, and in the evening all, both young and old, are cordially invited to come and enjoy a social time.

....We like to see evidences of the prosperity of any of our young merchants, and the neat new fish cart which H. A. Brainard has just brought out certainly seems like an evidence of his thrift and prosperity, which is gratifying in these "hard times."

....The official count of the vote for county commissioner shows that the total vote was 11,221. O'Donnell of Holyoke received 5339, and James S. Loomis had 5237, with 145 scattering, of which 135 were plainly intended for the latter, and if counted would make O'Donnell's majority 567. It was shown that there was much careless voting.

....The King of the Sandwich Islands arrived at San Francisco, Saturday, in the United States gun-boat Benicia, and was received by a military escort. He is accompanied by two of his governors, and minister Henry A. Pierce, (who is brother of Mrs. Franklin Blanchard of this town). The royal party were to remain in San Francisco a few days, when they proceed to Washington, and then they propose to visit the principal eastern cities before they return.

....The District Court Room was occupied Thursday evening, for the first entertainment within its walls, with a fine and appreciative audience, (notwithstanding the mud and darkness), to hear Mr. Frank Dwight Denny's recitals. He is a young man of prepossessing appearance and a good voice, and he kept the close attention of his audience for two hours. His rendering of "The Famine," "Shamus O'Brien," and his humorous pieces, was especially good, and drew forth applause. Mr. Denny hopes to have the pleasure of appearing again this winter before a Palmer audience, with a new program, varied by a dramatic sketch and a farce, in both of which he takes the leading part, and he would undoubtedly draw a good house.

....The Catholic Fair at Thorndike closed Saturday evening last, after a very successful run of ten days, and the net profits are estimated at $2,300 which will go towards their new church. In addition to those mentioned last week, the following were successful in drawing prizes:—Joseph Thompson, a chamber set; Maggie Welch of Three Rivers, a gold watch; John Carmody of Thorndike, the gold cane; Anna B. Feeney of this village, a gold chain, and Mary Bradley, a shawl. A whip was presented to the most popular man in Thorndike, the question being decided by vote and Boliver Green winning, Geo. Moores and H. E. W. Clark being the other two contestants for the honor.

MONUMENT TO MAJOR MORGAN.

There has recently been erected in the cemetery of this village a suitable monument to the late Major Morgan, the heartfelt offering of twenty-one of his intimate friends. It is a column of Scotch granite, polished in the most perfect manner, and imported complete from Scotland. It stands upon a square granite base, and on the top is an urn of the same material as the shaft, the whole being nearly or quite 16 feet in height. On the front of the first base is this inscription: MAJOR B. F. MORGAN, born, Jan. 5th 1798; died, Jan. 15th 1874, and on another base are these words, written by Geo. T. Davis of Portland, Me.: "One of the best of men and most loyal of friends. Some of those who loved him have erected this monument in memory of the virtues which adorned his life, and the grief with which a whole community mourned his death." The monument cost $1500, and the following persons contributed the money for its erection: Chester W. Chapin of Springfield; Commodore Vanderbilt of New York; Ex-Gov. Bullock of Worcester; George T. Davis of Portland, Me.; Eben Wright of Boston; Dr. George B. Loring of Salem; Robert Pomeroy and Pickering Clark of Pittsfield; Chas. M. Pond of Hartford; Charles Fox of Stafford Springs; Nathan Richardson of Warren; James M. Thompson, William Gunn, Homer Foot, James B. Rumrill, A. D. Chapin, William Bliss, C. W. Chapin, Jr., and J. A. Rumrill of Springfield; Warren Hecox of Syracuse; and D. B. Stedman. The monument was selected by and erected under the supervision of Mr. J. A. Rumrill, one of the executors of Mr. Morgan's estate. It stands on one of the handsome lots fronting Thorndike street, and will be surrounded by granite curbing.

THREE RIVERS.

A pleasant social gathering and oyster supper took place at the house of A. W. Green Thursday evening.

The mill is running full hours, though there is talk of a reduction.

Rev. Mr. Wright, the Baptist minister at Three Rivers, was favored Thanksgiving eve by a surprise visit from his parishioners, who left substantial tokens of their esteem, valued at some $33, which with other gratuities would amount to some $65. A pleasant social evening was spent.

SOUTH WILBRAHAM.

Caroline Bliss, a town pauper, who has become hopelessly insane, was taken to the Northampton asylum on Wednesday, where she should have been months ago.

John C. Vinica lost a valuable cow a few days since. Farrier Vinica can cure others' cattle, but not his own. So blacksmiths' horses sometimes go barefoot.

L. B. Bliss, Esq., who was chosen commissioner of insolvency for Hampden county, has received his commission from Governor Talbot, and has taken the oath of office to qualify him to act.

The three religious societies have been uniting their efforts for a union singing school. The necessary funds have been subscribed, and now the bone of contention seems to be who shall be the teacher.

The public schools in town commenced Monday. Most of the old teachers have been retained. In the South parish no change whatever. Miss Della Bennett, a recent graduate of Holyoke Seminary, will commence a select school in the academy building Monday next. If Miss Bennett will be as successful in teaching others as she has been in reciving her own education, the school will be a success. She starts with the good wishes of all.

The severe rain storm last Sabbath prevented a full attendance at church in this locality. The Methodist and Baptist did not see fit to start their machinery. The Cong. church was supplied by a student from the New Haven Theological School, who held forth to a score of souls. The singers were *non est*, but he was not damned, for he could perform that part of the worship equally as well, if not better. So he had the thing all his own way. With all his qualifications he ought to succeed.

MONSON.

The woolen mills are running full time.

Monson Academy commenced its winter term Wednesday.

Representative Green and lady are expected home from their Western tour today.

Alfred Wallace has bought of Geo. E. Grout the house and lot east of Mr. Grout's residence.

The culvert opposite Barton's block has been commenced, but when it will be *finished* remains to be seen.

Arba Squier has the frame up for his lumber warehouse on Squier avenue, and it is quite a sizeable structure.

By actual measurement, the mud is only 4 inches thick on the sidewalk (or where a sidewalk should be) just south of the post office.

Special policeman Bacon will hereafter be in attendance at Green's hall for the protection of the public against the disturbing element sometimes present.

Merrick, Fay & Co. have just started up their straw shop for the winter, and have put in $400 worth of new machinery. About 350 girls and 100 men will be employed.

The deposits at the Monson savings bank for the month of October were $7400, a gain of $3400 over those of the same month last year. The amount of present deposits is $242,000.

There are two or three tramps almost every night at the lock-up, and if the measures used in some towns of sending vagrants to the Eastern Hampden district court for further instruction were instituted, perhaps the expense and annoyance would be less in the future.

A public lyceum is contemplated by the citizens to discuss the present system of management of the schools in our town, and it would not be inappropriate after having thoroughly ventilated the school management to discuss the road matters, with their needless "thank-you-marms."

The sale of tickets for the Harmony course of lectures opened very briskly Wednesday morning, a large number were taken on that day. A few more good seats can yet be had by calling at Phipp's drug store. Miss Edgarton, the last speaker of the course is meeting with flattering success in the West this season, where she is awarded the foremost position of lectures of her sex.

The construction of the new branch railroad from Flynt's quarries to the track of the N. L. N. R. R., some two miles in length, promises to give employment this winter to quite a gang of workmen, mostly Monson men, and has been commenced. The N. L. N. R. R. company are to provide rolling stock for the branch, and Messrs. Flynt do the grading, etc., all except the expense of laying the rails.

Charles Fowler has a new street lamp in front of his store, and Cyrus W. Holmes, Jr., Horace Squier, Albert Norcross, Timothy F. Packard and Horatio Lyon, also, have new street lamps, so that those wishing "more light," and seeking for more light in their respective localities, will be accommodated, and still there is room for more lights in other much traveled portions of our streets.

WARE AND VICINITY.

....Dr. Wm. F. Davis, formerly of this town, has opened dental rooms in Pittsfield.

....The Ladies' Benevolent Society meet with Mrs. Lewis N. Gilbert next Wednesday evening.

....The counting room of the Otis Company is undergoing thorough repairs and internal improvements.

....The high school begins on Monday next, and also those in the South street school house. Other schools in the village are already in session.

....It is expected that Rev. W. R. Tisdale of Warren will preach at the M. E. church next Sabbath in exchange with the pastor.

....The publisher of the Bulletin preferred to rest on Thanksgiving Day, consequently subscribers had to be content with a half-sheet last week.

....Col. Daniel Needham, National Bank Examiner, paid his annual visit to the Ware National Bank, on Monday, finding the institution in a sound condition financially.

....The evening school, supported by the town from the dog fund, commences its winter session next Monday evening, and will be in charge of Mr. H. M. Coney, assisted by Miss Harriet Billings.

....The mills at Gilbertville are running only about one half their machinery, and a large number of the company's tenements are vacant. The business outlook in this vicinity is certainly not very encouraging.

....The Farmers' Club of District No. 7 discussed the subject of fruit-growing as a profitable branch of farming, at their regular meeting last Saturday evening, and also listened to a paper read by Mrs. James Pierce, entitled "The Experiment."

....From a recent number of the Lawrence American we learn that George H. Gilbert Esq., of North Andover, and formerly of Ware, is about to remove to New York, where he was engaged in business for several years previous to his residence in North Andover.

....The popular drama entitled "Among the Breakers" was presented to a large audience at the Unitarian vestry, Monday evening, by the young people connected with the Unitarian Society. The drama was well rendered and proved highly entertaining to those present.

....While J. R. Lawton's son, Eddie, and another boy about the same age, were out gunning, Wednesday, an accidental discharge of shot shattered Eddie's right hand badly, rendering the immediate amputation of the third finger necessary. The charge entered the palm of his hand near the center, and made a severe wound.

....The elderly ladies and gentleman of the Methodist congregation had a delightful social gathering at the parsonage, Wednesday afternoon, enjoying the generous hospitalities of their esteemed pastor, the Rev. E. A. Howard. Such occasions cannot fail to be of mutual pleasure and profit, and should be of more frequent occurrence.

....Our citizens are to be favored, on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings of next week, with an entertainment by Prof. Zera, whom the public press of Europe and America is pleased to call "The leading magician of the world," and the "Only genius conjuror in this country." His powers of ventriloquism are represented as wonderful, giving him the name of the "Man with a hundred voices," Each visitor receives a present, and nothing resembling a lottery will be permitted in the distribution of gifts.

....We have received a communication from "Veritas," in which he wishes to correct a statement made in our issue of last week with reference to the recent ball of the Grattan Society. Here is the correction: "There was no *misunderstanding* about that 'portion of the company who went to the Ware Hotel,' as a turkey supper was ordered there several days previous, of which thirty couple partook with a zest and hearty relish, most of whom were former residents of Ware and knew from experience where to obtain a bounteous, *well prepared* supper."

....At the Reform Club meeting, Monday evening, Mr. S. A. Spooner, in a carefully prepared essay on the temperance question, took strong grounds against alcohol in any from, or taken under any circumstances, regarding it as a poison and only injurious to the human system. Mr. Spooner cited the opinions of a large number of gentleman, of high standing in the medical profession, in establishing the propositions laid down in his essay. The young men appointed to give recitations failed to put in an appearance, and they will be expected to fulfill their appointment at the next meeting. Excellent vocal music was rendered by a quartette under Mr. Ercanbrack's direction.

....Reports concerning the disturbance at the Hampshire House, Sunday evening, are so numerous and conflicting, that we have found it difficult to arrive at the actual facts in the case, and shall therefore leave our readers to ascertain for themselves. The results of the affair are briefly these: "a loss of whiskers on the part of policeman Canterbury, caused by the firm grasp of his prisoner, while Herbert Goodwin, the offender, received several powerful blows from the officer's billet, causing a severe illness, from which he is now slowly recovering, besides the payment of fine and costs amounting to $6.00. As stated at the outset, not being possessed of all the facts in the case, we are not prepared to decide as to its merits, there being a great variety of opinions in the community as to the parties most at fault.

A PEOPLE'S LECTURE COURSE.

We have received a communication from Rev. John Lyon, pastor of the Unitarian church, relative to a proposed lecture course, which is about to be established; although preparations in full have not been made. The writer believes "that while an effort of this kind does not, at first sight, appear promising, yet a greater portion of the people would appreciate and countenance any practical movement that would tend to relieve the monotony of our winter evenings. With this belief, an effort has been put forth to secure the services of several gentlemen, the result of which, so far, has been favorable and encouraging. It may now be announced that William H. Baldwin, Esq., president of the Y. M. C. Union of Boston, has consented to deliver a lecture on 'America's definition of nobility.' The Rev. William H. Cudworth of East Boston will lecture on 'Up hill and down.' Rev. Mr. Wiggin of Marlboro will tell us 'What homes are made of.' Rev. A. J. Rich of Brookfield will deliver a lecture, now in preparation, entitled 'Crusades and Crusaders.' Rev. E. A. Horton of Leominster will lecture on the 'Orders of Heroism,' and Rev. J. F. Moors of Greenfield on the wonders of 'Oriental Travel,' and he will also describe some of the hallowed places of Palestine. Efforts will be made to secure the services of Rev. E. E. Hale of Boston. It is proposed to have the course consist of at least ten, perhaps twelve lectures, and season tickets not to be over *one dollar* each. While most of the lecturers already named are clergymen of the Unitarian order, it is hoped those of other denominations will also lecture during the course. No sectarian motive prompts this movement. It is hoped that a *united* effort will be made, so that what is emphatically meant to be the People's Lecture Course, may result in complete success, as well as be the means of giving much intellectual pleasure and benefit." We shall hope to give full particulars in our next issue.

☞That new party don't grow much yet.

☞Counterfeit fifty cent scrip is in circulation at Worcester.

☞A recent conflagration in Cronstadt destroyed the homes of 15,000 people.

☞Beecher preaches well on "the fall of man." He knows how it is himself.

☞There are two widows in Atlanta aged respectfully fourteen and sixteen.

☞A lawsuit about a hog worth $6 has just ended at Terre Haute. Costs of court, $200.

☞Mr. Gaston has twenty applications a day from men who want to be his private secretary.

☞Congressman Elliott (colored) has been elected Speaker of the South Carolina Assembly.

☞A Texan, recently deceased, left $5000 as a fund for the defence of men who kill baggage masters.

☞Many of the colored people in Alabama have concluded to leave the State as soon as possible.

☞An Indiana father crawled under a corn crib and wept because his daughter married an astronomer.

☞Gen. B. F. Butler is said to have accumulated by honest thrift more than a million and a quarter.

☞John Brown was hanged, fifteen years ago last Wednesday, but his soul has been "marching on" ever since.

☞It is said the President will recommend internal improvements. We have been at that ever since Thanksgiving.

☞The Republicans of Pennsylvania took from the Democrats a State debt of $40,000,000, and have reduced it one-half.

☞Let the lovers of wild turkey take the advice of Dr. Greeley and go West. At Palmyra, Mo., they sell for 7 cents per pound.

☞A young jockey in California, who has ridden horses in several races during the past two years, has been discovered to be a girl.

☞Patrick Gardner, until recently a coal heaver in Waltham, Mass., is now a lecturer on Ireland. And he is said to be above the lyceum average.

☞The New York Sun says that while a church fair to buy an organ was in progress in Barre, Mass., a woman not half a mile away was dying from hunger and cold.

☞At Keene, N. H., a man entered his own house late at night and was mistaken for a burglar; his sister called for help, and a neighbor rushed in and shot the innocent man, who narrowly escaped death.

☞A Swede has invented a new explosive called the "vigorite," which is said to embody all the good and none of the bad qualities of every previously known explosive, than which it is also said to be more powerful.

☞Michael Bion, who attempted to blow up the parsonage at East Canaan, Conn., in February last, mistaking it for the residence of Mr. Lyman Deming, against whom he had a mortal grudge, has been sentenced to the State Prison at Wethersfield for ten years.

☞The new All Saints Episcopal church in Worcester is to be of stone, including the spire, though the kind of stone has not been decided upon as yet. The seating capacity of the church will be about 9000, and the cost of the whole structure has been limited to $80,000.

☞Alber Peck, a married man thirty-eight years of age, and a bootmaker by trade, was arrested in Worcester, Saturday, on a charge of indecent exposure of his person. The complaint is made by two respectable young ladies, who say that he has followed them repeatedly, and early last week approached them and attempted improper liberties with them, ending by an indecent exposure.

☞A Hartford man lost $8000 worth of diamond jewelry while at a fire in Stamford, last week, and he offers $1000 reward to the person who will bring the property back to him.

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DIED.

At Three Rivers, 25th, MINNIE M., 27, wife of W. H. Fisher, station agent of the Athol and Springfield R. R. Her remains were taken to Bethel, Me., for burial.

At Monson, 29th ult., SARAH SHAW, 52.

At Stafford, MARY ANN BLODGETT, 92.

At North Derby, Vt., 16th ult., HERRY BACON, 51, formerly of Dudley, brother of John Bacon of Bacon's Quadrillo Band.

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225 Ladies Rosewood Writing Desks,	2.50	"
98 Fine Cashmere Shawls,	20.00	"
100 Splendid Cashmere Square Shawls,	15.00	"
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District Court of Eastern Hampden, in the county of Hampden, William Holbrook of Palmer, in said county, plaintiff, and R. C. Worthing of said Palmer defendant. In an action of contract for the recovery of one hundred dollars, as by writ on file in this court will more fully appear.

And now it appearing to said court that said defendant, at the time of the service of the writ, was not an inhabitant of or resident in this Commonwealth, and that no legal service thereof had been made on him. It is ordered that notice be given to said defendant to appear at a term of said court to be holden at Palmer, in said county, on the first Saturday of January next, or his default will be recorded and judgment rendered against him, and that said notice be given by publishing an attested copy of this order, in the Palmer Journal, a newspaper printed in Palmer, in said county of Hampden, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days before the said first Saturday of January next, or by serving him with an attested copy of this order, seven days before the said first Saturday of January.

JAMES G. ALLEN,
Justice of said Court.

A copy. Attest: JAMES G. ALLEN,
Justice of said Court.

S. S. TAFT. Plaintiff's Atty. 3w40

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THE SUN.

WEEKLY AND DAILY FOR 1875.

The approach of the Presidential election gives unusual importance to the events and developments of 1875. We shall endeavor to describe them fully, faithfully, and fearlessly.

THE WEEKLY SUN has now attained a circulation of over seventy thousand copies. Its readers are found in every State and Territory, and its quality is well known to the public. We shall not only endeavor to keep it fully up to the old standard, but to improve and add to its variety and power.

THE WEEKLY SUN will continue to be a thorough newspaper. All the news of the day will be found in it, condensed when unimportant, at full length when of moment, and always, we trust, treated in a clear, interesting and instructive manner.

It is our aim to make the WEEKLY SUN the best family newspaper in the world. It will be full of entertaining and appropriate reading of every sort, but will print nothing to offend the most scrupulous and delicate taste. It will always contain the most interesting stories and romances of the day, carefully selected and legibly printed.

The Agricultural Department is a prominent feature in the WEEKLY SUN, and its articles will always be found fresh and useful to the farmer.

The number of men independent in politics is increasing, and the WEEKLY SUN is their paper especially. It belongs to no party, and obeys no dictation, contending for principle, and for the election of the best men. It exposes the corruption that disgraces the country and threatens the overthrow of republican institutions. It has no fear of knaves, and seeks no favors from their supporters.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.—HAMPDEN, SS. PROBATE COURT.—To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of Ariel Rogers, late of Monson, in said county, deceased, greeting:

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said court, for probate, by Elkanah Rogers who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him the executor therein named, you are hereby cited to appear at a probate court to be held at Springfield, in said county of Hampden, on the first Tuesday of January next at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, against the same.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once a week, for three successive weeks in the newspaper called the Palmer Journal, printed at Palmer, the last publication to be two days, at least, before said court, and by mailing a copy thereof to such of said, next of kin, as reside out of this Commonwealth fourteen days at least before said court.

Witness, William S. Shurtleff, Esquire, judge of said court, this twenty-fourth day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

SAMUEL B. SPOONER, Register.
Copy. Attest: SAMUEL B. SPOONER,
3w39 Register.

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That Hair Pin.

Vague conjectures concerning the ownership of a hair pin, found on the rocks at Bash Bish Falls, July 4th, 1874.

Perhaps this graced the head of one
Of the fairest girls beneath the sun;
And fastened her hair of the softest brown
Wound round her head like a fairy crown.
Perhaps as she sat and silently gazed
On the craggy rock; and half amazed,
Watched the swift waters come leaping o'er,
Filling the gorge with their mighty roar;—
This pin dropped out, and ringlet and braid,
Fell down o'er the shoulders of the beautiful maid;
And the sunbeams stealing through the tree-tops old,
Shone on her hair and turned it to gold.

Perhaps some "Biddie" from the village below,
While trudging her way up the mountain so slow,
Sat down to rest by the waters deep,
Dreading her journey up the hillside steep.
The leaflets were tossed by the soft balmy breeze,
Anon the bright sunbeams shot through rifts in the trees.
The murmuring brook kissed the flowers so bright,
And the fluttering birds warbled songs of delight.
But flower and stream, and birds' sweet lay,
Moved not her soul with delight that day;
For she thought of the babies with pinafores torn,
She left playing with the pigs in the street that morn.
Perhaps then this pin slipped out of its place,
Her coarse red hair tumbled down o'er her face,
And her chignon rolled in the waters below,
While "Biddie" swore loudly as she saw it go.

PERSPIRATION.

The amount of liquid matter which passess through the miscroscopial tubes of the skin in twenty-four hours, in any adult person of sound health, is about sixteen fluid ounces, or one pint. One ounce of the sixteen is solid matter, made of organic and in-organic substance, which, if allowed to remain in the system for a space of time, would cause death. The rest is water. Besides the water and solid matter, a large amount of carbonic acid, a gaseous body, passes through the tubes; so we cannot fail to understand that they are so active workers, and also we cannot see the importance of keeping them in perfect working order, removing obstructions by frequent applications of water, or by some other means.

Suppose we obstruct the functions of the skin perfectly by varnishing a person completely with a compound, impervious to moisture. How long will he live? Not over six hours. The experiment was once tried on a child in Florence. Pope Leo, the tenth, on the occasion of his accession to the papal chair, wished to have a living figure to represent the Golden Age, and so he gilded a poor child over with varnish and gold leaf. The child died in a few hours. If the fur of a rabbit or the skin of a pig be covered with a solution of India rubber in naphtha, the animal ceases to breathe in about two hours.

THE OLDEST CATECHISM.—The earliest catechism known in the English language is the "Master of Oxford's." It illustrates the lack of religious instruction in the days of Chaucer, Wickliffe and Henry V., A. D. 1420.

Q. Say me, where was God when he made heaven and earth?

A. I say, in the further ende of the winds.

Q. Of what state was Adam when he was made?

A. A man of XXX.

Q. Of what length was Adam?

A. III score VI inches.

Q. How long was Adam in Paradise?

A. VI yere, and VI yere ende he trespassed against God for the happle that he hete on a Frydaye, and an angel drove him oute.

Q. Why beyeth not stonys froit?

A. For Cayne sleush his brother Abell with the bone of an asse cheek.

Q. Why is the sun red at even?

A. For he goeth towarde hell.

☞An American youth, while travelling in California, was ambitiously displaying a small pistol before a brawny miner, whose belt was weighed down with two heavy six shooters, when the miner asked what he had there. "Why," replied the youth, "that is a pistol." "Well," said the rough, "if you should shoot me with that, and I should find it out, I'd lick you like fun."

☞A Hartford man tells of a rooster of his which ate a lot of refuse yeast cakes, thrown out into the back yard, but whose mangled remains were soon found, the cakes having been too good, and exploded the poor bird like a charge of nitro-glycerine.

☞"Why are men seeking office called candidates?" Because they are all sweetness. They are something more than candy; they are candy-dates. After their election they are called officials, because they act so officious.

☞The matrimonial market has picked up so fast since September that one New Hampshire clergyman has laid in three barrels of beans, a barrel of cider, and three dried calf-skins.

☞Harvard College will require all candidates for admission in July, 1875, to write a short English composition, correct in spelling, grammar, punctuation, and expression.

☞The annual destruction of buffaloes in Kansas, Texas, Colorado and Southern Nebraska is estimated at 210,000, of which about one-fourth are killed for the skin alone.

☞Amherst College has an alligator now. It is twelve feet long, and will be trained to follow the college boat at regattas and confuse the crews of the other boats.

☞An Indiana clergyman sued a newspaper for libel and dropped dead within a week. The Detroit Free Press say these fellows will learn something by and by.

☞A western judge recently ordered a man to pay his wife $50 to meet the expenses of a divorce suit she was instituting against him. "Oh, righteous judge!"

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Palmer, May 1st, 1874. 30tf

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The Boys.

[We know not the author of the following exquisite verses nor their history. Possibly they have been in print before, but if so, they are worthy of being printed again, and will pay for reading and re-reading:

"The boys are coming home to-morrow,"
Thus our rural hostess said,
While Lou and I shot flitting glances,
Full of vague, unspoken dread.

Had we hither come for quiet,
Hither fled the city's noise,
But to change it for the turmoil
Of those horrid country "boys?"

Waking one with wild hallooing,
Early every summer day,
Shooting, robbing, teasing kittens,
Frightening the wrens away!

Stumbling over trailing dresses,
Thumbing volumes gold and blue,
Clamoring for sugar dainties,
Tracking dust the passage through.

These, and other kindred trials,
Fancied we, with woeful sigh,
"Oh, those horrid boys to-morrow!"
Sadly whispered Lou and I.

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I wrote these lines one happy summer,
To-day I smile to read them o'er,
Remembering how full of terror,
We watched all day the open door!

They came, "the boys," six feet in stature,
Graceful, easy polished men!
I vowed to Lou, behind my knitting,
I'd trust no woman's word again.

For boyhood is a thing immortal
To every mother's heart and eye,
And sons are boys to her forever—
Change as they may to you and I.

To *her* no time comes, sharply marking
Whither or when their childhood went,
Nor when the eye-glance sharply turned
Leveled at last, then downward bent.

Now by the window, still and sunny,
Warmed by the rich October glow,
The dear old lady sits and watches,
Just as she watched three years ago.

For Lou and I are now her daughters.
We married those two country boys
In spite of all our sad forebodings
About their awkward ways and noise.

Lou springs up now to meet a foot-fall,
I list no more for coming feet,
Mother and I are waiting longer
For steps on Beulah's golden street!

But when she blesses Lou's beloved,
And seals it with a tender kiss,
I know that loving words go upward,
Words to another world than this.

Always she speaks in gentle fashion
About "my boys"—she always will—
Though one is grey; and one has vanished
Beyond the reach of time or ill.

THE WISHED-FOR SAW-MILL.

In one of my angling excursions, I went, by the advice of my knowing friend Nibbs, to try the small river Toft, which runs through a pretty bit of country, and has on its banks the village, or more properly hamlet of Whortle, where I took up my residence. The place had no inn, but that did not matter. The cottage which gave me shelter was clean and comfortable; Mrs. Williams, a motherly dame, had a good store of sweet linen, and made capital bread. There was a difficulty about butcher-meat; but sides of bacon were suspended all over the kitchen ceiling, eggs were reckoned by the dozen, chickens and ducks were cackling all around, excellent vegetable grew in the garden: and for fish, in my opinion, small river-trout are almost as nice to eat as to catch, which is saying a great deal.

I took a letter from Nibbs, and was installed in his accustomed quarters, for I found that he was in the habit of running down for a few days whenever business permitted him, and several books arranged on the shelf of the sitting-room had his name in them. I feared at first I was turning the couple out of their parlor, but they assured me that they only used it on good occasions, and lived habitually in the kitchen. My bed room; from the lattice window, framed with jessamine and roses, I could see the little river as it ran babbling and sparkling by. There was only one drawback, which was the close proximity of the work-shop, in which either my host or his workman was constantly sharpening a saw; but even this was not an unmixed evil, for it induced to that early rising which is so great a point in the angler's favor.

Nibbs had said "old" Peter Williams, and I expected something venerable, but the term proved to be familiar rather than descriptive, for Williams, was not much older than Nibbs himself, and was born in 1820. Mrs. Williams was perhaps a couple of years younger. I was puzzled at first to think where the work was to come from to keep a carpenter in such an out-of-the-way spot, but that difficulty was soon solved. There were a good many houses hidden away among the woods within a circuit of two or three miles, and there was no competition. Gentlemen residing about there, indeed, I afterwards learned, though amateurs, rarely interfered with the professionals. Peter was probably saved many a fidgety and unprofitable job by the skill of his neighbors, but was rarely done out of a good one. It seldom occurs to a gentleman to supply his own household with coffins, for example.

Still the business was fluctuating; at times more than Peter and his assistant could well get through, at others so slack that the man could make head against it, leaving the master free to indulge in the pursuit he loved; and with him fly fishing was a passion. When any sport, taste or affection fills the soul of a man to that extent, however, he is certain to find some way of gratifying it under any circumstances. Though my host had plenty to do at the period of my visit, he was evidently glad enough of the excuse for acting as cicerone to throw aside the plane for the rod for an hour or so; and he generally managed to accompany me a little way up the stream either in the morning or in the evening. And it was lucky for me he did so, for it was a difficult piece of water to fish, but he knew every inch of it. Without his aid, and using the ordinary flies, I should have quitted the neighborhood in disgust. As it was, I had capital sport.

And what was equally pleasant, when I came home, I had such a good welcome. It is a very great addition to the enjoyment of the amateur fisherman to display his spoils before a sympathetic gaze, and Peter Williams met with the eagerness of a child expecting a new toy. I dared not have brought home an undersized fish; it would have hurt his feelings. He admired any trout larger than the average, as though he never saw such a thing before; weighed it, measured it, and wanted to know exactly where and how it was captured. Mrs. Williams was equally frank and friendly; and when I found I should be welcome, I proposed to come and smoke my pipe with the couple in the kitchen of an evening. They soon grew chatty and communicative, and I learned that they had a sorrow.

It was on the third occasion of my passing the evening in their company that I asked whether Hackle always came alone, and if he never brought a friend with him.

"Never, sir," replied Mrs. Williams, emphatically. "I don't know where he could be put up."

Why, said I, you have another bedroom back of mine; the door was open when I came down to dinner, and it look very comfortably furnished! Could you not put a second visitor there?

Mrs. Williams knitted more quickly at the sock she was making, and offered no reply; her husband puffed hard at his pipe. I saw that I had touched on a painful subject, but could not immediately turn to another, so there was an awkard pause.

"You see, sir," said Peter at last, knocking out his ashes, the woman would not have that room occupied on any account, because it was John's, and she is always expecting John to come back. I know better, but mothers never stop hoping."

"I don't hope," said his wife, taking off her spectacles and wiping her eyes. "I am certain sure that my boy will come back to see me, if it is only for a few days, and then, when he finds everything just as he left it, may be he will stop longer."

Very likely, said I. It would never do, I see, to have lodgers.

"Children's all alike," said Peter. "You nurse them, and coddle, and work and plan for them, and all you get is ingratitude. They are just like the birds; soon as they can fly alone, they are off. I don't say our John is worse than the rest, or so bad as many, for he has never disgraced us—only forgotten us."

"Don't say that, Peter," sobbed his wife. "I'll never believe it."

"Well, I hope I am wrong: but I'm not. He has got hold of some pink-face girl, and doesn't care a farthing for any one else in the world. They are all like that at his age." Does he never write? I asked, feeling awkward, but wishing to show an interest.

"Yes, he writes now and then, not often. Why should he? He knows my wishes, and is determined to have his own way."

"You are hard upon him, Peter," said Mrs. Williams. "Young people have their way to make in the world."

"I know that, old woman; but he might have made it here."

"You see, sir, he is uncommon clever at carving, and that sort of work fetches a high price just now; it's the fashion, where they are doing up old churches and the like; that's what tempted the lad away."

Perhaps, said I, he felt that his talent was being wasted in a place where he had no particular object upon which to exercise it.

"May be sir; but he knew that I had set my heart on the saw-mill all my life, and that I could not work it if I got it now without his help; he understood well enough, too, that it would be a better business for himself than working for wages however high they may be, and a nice retirement for me in my old age. But that is just it, I expect; he did not fancy having for a partner an old father, who might soon be getting past his work, though there is no sign of that about me at present, thank Heaven!"

Ah! said I, you were thinking of setting up a saw-mill? It certainly ought to be a good place for one.

"It ought, and it is sir," said Peter Williams, growing excited. And then he entered into many lengthened particulars, of which this is the sum. The saw-mill was an existing institution, at present in the possession of a Mr. Tankard, known as Drunken Tommy, who was willing to cede his lease, good-will and fixtures for one hundred pounds, and he would probably take eighty. That sounds an absurd trifle to give for a saw-mill, but you must remember that the Toft is a very little stream, and its water power quite Lilliputian. Drunken Tommy did not make much of an income after he had paid his rent. But then he confined himself strictly to the sawing of trees into planks, and was indolent about that. An intelligent, well-educated man, who combined the carpentering business, or rather made the saw-mill subservient to it, might expect a very different result. And I could see that this was the only part of Mr. Williams' belief as to the advantages to be derived from his pet project, and that he dreamed ambitious dreams of becoming a timber merchant. And to think that fortune, in a small way, was to be missing for want of a hundred pounds!

Could he not have borrowed that sum? Ay, he could; but that was where he and his son John had their first disagreement. John would have nothing to say to borrowing, and without the young man's cleverness, activity, and clear head for business, the father could not see his way. So they parted, not in anger, indeed, but in coolness, considering that John was an only child, and lived on terms of perfect affection with his parents up to that date. Nor could it be said that he left them capriciously, without good reason; for having sent a specimen of carving to a famous firm who were engaged in restoring a cathedral, he received an offer of employment, the terms of which might well dazzle a young country artificer. This happened three years before, and they had not seen him since. At first, his letters were very regular, but they gradually grew less so, and now they had not heard from him for nearly three months.

I did not learn all this at one interview, for the couple interrupted one another, and confused the account, in addition to which they persisted in assuming that I had a certain amount of knowledge, which I did not possess. However, when the ice was broken, they often reverted to the subject of their self willed son, and by degrees I got a connected narrative.

I had originally intented to limit my stay at Whortle to a week; but the quiet homeliness of the place suited me so exactly that a fortnight slipped by almost before I was aware. I was not fishing all the time; there were two days of east wind, and three of unceasing rain, which, with a couple of Sundays, reduced my actual period of sport one half. Still I was not dull, for, as a rule no man is so happy in his own society as the angler. But I made the unfavorable weather which had intervened an excuse for allowing myself one week more, at the expiration of which I determined that I must leave, lest I should be keeping Nibbs out of his favorite haunt.

On the last evening but one I hooked the largest fish I had yet raised. As Nibbs had told me, the Toft was a difficult river to fish, in consequence of the bushes which fringed the river on each side. These concealed you, indeed, so that you could only throw a very short line; and when you hooked a trout the method of securing him was to wind up until he was only about three or four feet from the top of the rod, and then lift him out clear of the boughs. Both present on the occasion I could not do this, the fish being of a weight which would have smashed either rod or line to a certainty; and Peter was not there to assist me. So I played with the trout, following him gently down the stream, and looking out for a clean spot to land him at. Fortunately, (I mean for me,) he was very firmly hooked.

"You have got a good one, sir," said a voice—not Peter's—at my elbow.

Ay, I replied if I only knew how to get him out of the water.

"I think I can help you," said he.

I have no landing net.

"Never mind; I can get down to the water's edge through that brush; play him up to me, and I will slip my cap under him." This was effected, and in less than a minute the speckled beauty was leaping before us in the grass.

"There are not many of his size in this stream," said my friend in need. "I doubt whether my father ever took a heavier one out of it."

I looked at him; and he was a handsome young man, with a broad forehead, bright eyes, and rather massive jaw.

Is your name Williams? I asked rather abruptly.

"Yes," said he looking up surprised.

I am lodging at your father's house, I explained.

"All well?" he asked.

Quite.

"And I am anxious to see them, so I will say good day for the present, sir," and he strode off with an elastic step.

I delayed my return beyond my usual dinner-time, and stole into the house somewhat sheepishly; a great joy is almost as sacred as a great sorrow. When Mrs. Williams brought me my food, I made a sort of half apology for taking her away from her son and hoped his visit would be a long one.

"Life long, I hope, sir," she replied, fairly laughing with delight. "He has been getting three pounds a week a great part of the time, and he has saved money enough to buy the saw-mill. That was the reason he left us because he knew that his father would never be happy unless he had his fancy. But he would not tell us what he was up to, because he was not sure of succeeding, and feared disappointing us. And later, when it was all right, he could not deny himself the pleasure of a surprise."

I have had a week on the Toft quite lately. Drunken Tommy has ceded the mill to Williams and Son, who have improved the business considerably already. I had several chats with both, and found that each retained his original opinion.

"John is a very good lad," said Peter, "first-rate; there is no better in England. But he cannot see those three years have been so much time lost. We could have repaid the hundred pounds principal and interest at the end of the first year."

"I'll never start on borrowed money while I can earn my crust, though the chance be ever so tempting," said John. "The interests eats up your profits, and that breaks your heart. And then if you go ill? We've got the saw-mill, and the comfort of knowing that we have never been in debt, or owed it to the favor of any one."

WORK FOR WOMEN.—Discoveries of fit and profitable occupations for needy women are always to be noted with a cordial satisfaction. In Australia, an excellent thing has been found for them to do in the "education" of silkworms. An association of ladies has been formed to conduct the business, which it does with perfect success, the silk being thoroughly good, and having already with the grain a market in Italy. Intelligence of an equally pleasant industry for women comes from Cincinnati, where many learned wood-carving in the McMiken School of Design. The details of this work, so full of delicate beauty, gave them more delight than trouble, and they have grown rapidly to use their own taste and invention in design and construction. The result of this employment may be applied to furniture or to ornamental and less useful articles, Instruction in designing tile decoration is now given in the school, and the tiles are baked in the city, to which so practical an institution is an honor.

BEE OR WASP STINGS.—Spread over the part stung a plaster of salad oil and common salt; if salt be not at hand, the salt may be moistened with water or vinegar. Another remedy is to keep the part constantly moistened with a rag dipped in sal-volatile and cold water, as strong as can be borne without raising the skin. Another antidote is everywhere available, for it is nothing more than common soil applied to the wound. This remedy has often been tested with complete success, and can be implicitly relied upon. The soil should be wet before being applied.—*New Facts.*

A GOOD REASON.—An Irishman asks a Long Island woman the price of a pair of fowls, and is told:

"A dollar."

And a dollar is it, my darlint? Why, in my country you might buy them for sixpence apiece."

"And why didn't you stay in that blessed cheap country?"

"Och, faith, and there was *no sixpence there*, to be sure!"

☞The only kind of sublimity which a painter or sculptor should aim at is to express, by certain proportions and positions of limbs and features, that strength and dignity of mind, and vigor and activity of body, which enable men to conceive and execute great actions.

☞Last Saturday the wind blew a perfect gale. Rude eyes were so filled with dust that it was impossible to read the monograms on garters.—*Whitehall Times.*

DYING FOR OUR COUNTRY.

In times of war we hear much said about the duty and glory of dying for our country. Orators who are careful to keep their precious selves out of the bloody fray, will harangue audiences by the hour on the nobleness and reward of other people laying down their lives to save their bleeding country. So meritous is the sacrifice considered by some, that they are ready to promise eternal happiness in heaven to those who make it, whatever may be their characters or other deeds while on earth.

But the religion which prepares men for heaven is not manifested by imbruing our hands in the blood of others and the act of rushing into the cannon's mouth will not atone for other sins which have been committed through a lifetime.

Dying for one's country generally means, when stript of its sophistry, dying for those who wish to *govern* the country. It is dying for kings and nobles and other great men who quarrel among themseves and then, too foolish to do their own fighting, meanly call on their subjects to do it for them. And when thousand or hundreds of thousands of these subjects have "bitten the dust," how soon they are forgotten and left to molder in unremembered graves, while their poor families or friends are suffering for the want of their care and support. What has been the gain of dying for the countries during the many centuries whose history has been written in blood? In many cases where men have died for their country, their country has died with them. This was the case in ancient Greece and Rome, and has been also with many modern nations. They have resorted to the sword to avenge some fancied insult or secure some unlawful end, and mightier ones have paid them in the coin of their own choosing and blotted them from the map of the continent.

How much more wise and noble to live for one's country instead of dying for it. When dead there is an end to all efforts to promote the welfare of our friends and neighbors. But while we live we may daily perform deeds and exert an influence that shall bless, not only our friends and our country, but the world.

Let then this false maxim, that it is our duty to die for our country, be regulated to oblivion along with that equally false one, that the way to preserve peace is to prepare for war. Both had their origin in times darker than our own and are unworthy to be cherished or believed by enlightened people.

FLIRTING.—It is not very difficult to find reasons why flirts do not marry. Sensible men admire in a woman something besides a pretty face and engaging manners. They love intellect, common sense, and heart qualifications, which the flirt does not possess. The true woman allows her affections full play, and is not ashamed of them. She will not lead a man to believe she cares for him when she does no such thing; she will not flirt just for the sake of flirting. She has a true conception of what is right, and possesses a great deal more common sense. She has derived her education from something more than three volume novels and the society of the empty pated. She may attract less attention in the drawing room than a flirt does, because she is less noisy and outruse; but, for all that, she will be married sooner, and make her husband a truer and better wife. A true woman does not care for the spooney young man. She dislikes his foppishness, the vapid compliments he pays her, and his effeminacy. He quickly finds this out and leaves her in peace, and usually marries a flirt.

ELUCIDATING A POINT.—Sambo wanted to buy some land, but he had only half money enough. "Well," said the agent, "the price is $900, but I'll take $450 and a mortgage for the balance in a year." Sambo scratched his head. "But, I say, boss, s'pose a fellow hain't got no morgitch?" In vain the agent explained, when up steps Bill and says, "I can 'lucidate that p'int. A morgitch is like dis yer: S'pose you pays de boss $450 down, and gives yer word and honor of an honest nigger to pay him de udder $450 in a year; den s'pose on de very last day ob de year yer pays him $449 and don't pay him de udder dollar, why den de morgitch says de boss can jess take all de money and de land, and you don't have nuffin'—not a cent."

"Golly, boss, a morgitch makes a nigger mighty honest."

THE LATEST.—Coupon tickets are the latest thing at fashionable weddings. The card secures admission to the church, and the coupon entitles the holder to a reserved seat! The next thing is the rehearsal of the wedding in the church the day before the ceremony is to take place. An Episcopal clergyman recently refused to permit such a rehearsal in his church, but the custom is bound to be adopted, and then the public ceremony will be altogether "as good as a play." After this it will only be necessary to charge an admission fee and admit the public to the entertaining spectacle.

NOT CATCHING.—A lady school teacher in Omaha, having an inordinate dread of the small-pox, sent a little girl home because she said her mother was sick and had marks on her face. The next day the girl appeared at the school house with her finger in her mouth, and her little bonnet swinging by the strings, and said to the teacher, "Miss ——, we've got a little baby at our house, but mother told me to tell you *it isn't catchin'*." The teacher said she was glad, and told the pupil to take her seat.

NEATNESS.—Ladies have always had the reputation of being neater than gentlemen, but some writer has lately disputed their claim to pre-eminence in this respect. He says: "No gentleman would be guilty of soiling his nice clothes with greasy hair hanging down his back, and much less trailing them in the dust." It must be confessed there is some truth in the position he takes. This draggling a yard of skirt through the dust and mud of our streets is not neat.

☞An Iowa father who has succeeded in raising seventeen of the worst children in his neighborhood, says he is bound to have a representative in Heaven if it takes seventeen more.

The Journal.

SATURDAY, DEC. 12, 1874.

Free Postage.

After January 1st, 1875, we shall be required to *prepay postage* on all copies of our paper going beyond the limits of this county. We shall not, in consequence of this law, increase our subscription rates, but to subscribers who, on or before the 31st of December, *pay all arrearages and one year in advance*, we shall send our paper, *free of postage*. To those who fail to comply with these terms we shall *add the amount of postage to their bills, or discontinue their papers, at our option.*

☞*All persons indebted to this office for subscriptions, advertising or job work are requested to make payment before Jan.* 1, 1875.

It is urged that Grant prefers $50,000 a year in gold rather than in paper.

Secretary Bristowe, also, wants a resumption of specie payments. That idea seems to be catching. The next thing will be to find specie enough to resume with. There's where the pinch will come.

Vicksburg has this week been the scene of a bloody affray between the whites and blacks, in which many were killed and wounded, and the blacks defeated. The accounts as to who were the aggressors are conflicting.

Prominent Republicans are discussing how to save the Republican party. Easy enough, gentlemen. Let the party do as an honest man would do who had committed an error—correct mistakes as far as is possible, and live so that confidence will be fully restored.

Gen. Butler still insists on inflation of the currency in order to make times better. When a man is inflated with himself it is very natural for him to think everything else should be inflated to prosper, but then, other folks see through other eyes and "cannot see it."

There were several nice "spreads" in Springfield after the election Tuesday. Some of the callers missed the champagne that flowed at Pynchon House saloon last year, and quiet citizens missed a good deal of noise in the street. It was simply "Coffee, if you please," this time.

Mr. Dawes is wide awake on the currency question, and takes a bold stand in the House against inflation. With the President opposed to any expansion there is not much danger to be apprehended from the inflationists, but in the scrimmage to ensue the day of specie payments may be put off.

Beecher's suit has again been postponed, this time until next Monday. More letters are promised by Moulton when the suit comes to trial, but as Congress is again in session the city newspapers will not be able to devote so much of their space to it as at first, for which we ought to be thankful.

The newspapers in Connecticut charge subscribers ten cents each for the postage which publishers will have to prepay, and some of the newspaper publishers in this State add fifteen cents to the price of their subscription. That is all fair, but those who take our paper will have to pay none of these extras.

According to accounts from the Pacific coast, China, Egypt, Siberia and other parts of the world, the planet Venus made a successful journey across the sun's disc on Tuesday. At one post of observation 113 photographs of the transit were taken, and scientific men expect to reap great benefits from the event.

The meeting of Congress on Tuesday was the signal for cautious action by members of both parties. The money question came up promptly and Mr. Dawes and Gen. Butler have had a set-to over it. The speech of Mr. Dawes on Thursday, advocating hard money as the only solution of the Republican party, is highly commended.

There is a bad look to the Hoosac Tunnel after all of the millions spent in building it. The special commissioners appointed by the last Legislature to examine and report upon it, say that the roof is so shattered by the use of explosives that nearly half the tunnel will have to be arched to protect cars and passengers. This arching will cost not less than two millions of dollars. So the end of that hateful bore seems to be quite distant.

The boy murderer, Jesse Pomeroy, of Boston, has been on trial the present week, and the jury on Thursday evening brought in a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree. The jurors signed a paper to the judge asking that his sentence might be imprisonment for life, and the judge replied that he must sentence in accordance with the verdict, and that the Governor and Council could only commute.

Contrary to the general expectation Springfield turned about and went Republican at its city election on Tuesday. Emerson Wight, the Republican candidate, was elected Mayor by 343 majority over Mr. Stebbins, the present incumbent. The Republican candidates for Aldermen, and most of their candidates for Councilmen, are elected. It looks now as if the city intended to redeem itself from democracy and try a hand at retrenchment. Mr. Wight was a poor man a few years ago and lost both his legs at the ankle by being run over by the cars. By prudence and energy he has become a heavy real estate holder in the city, and has been honored by many places of trust. He will look well to the city's interest, and save what there is possible to save from the downhill run of its finances in several years past.

The President's Message

The President's message, which was read before both houses of Congress, Monday, is a little longer than last year, and is spoken of as his most able state paper.

The President maintains his views that the national debt should be paid in strict accordance with the terms upon which it was contracted. He strenuously opposes inflation of the currency and favors the earliest possible return to specie payments, arguing that any delay in preparation for such resumption savors of dishonesty. He believes it to be in the power of Congress at the present session to dictate such legislation as will revive our industries, and save the credit of our nation and people. He also in connection with this commends the free banking system which has been proposed.

As to our relations to foreign powers the President represents them as generally in a favorable condition, but he thinks legislation is necessary in reference to the unfortunate character of immigration from China. Affairs in Cuba are an exception, and may make intervention by other powers a matter of self-necessity.

The naturalization laws are alluded to as defective, and need further legislation to define the rights of citizenship under them, and the status of children born to American parents residing abroad, of American women who have married aliens, or of American citizens who have married foreigners are sources of frequent difficulty and discussion.

Some changes are recommended in the tariff, by which foreign products which enter largely into American manufactures, and do not enter into competition with those of this country should be entered duty free.

He has a good word for the centennial celebration, the Indian peace policy and for some of the old pensioners in the South who are now cut off.

The state of affairs in the South is referred to, and his own course in relation to the troubles there, vindicated and justified. The responsibility of killing the civil service reform he lays upon Congress, and shall abandon it unless Congress takes positive action in it's favor. As to cheap transportation he only says that "more light may be expected from the report of the Congressional committee. He gives hearty support to all measures for the revival of ship building. The Arkansas problem he turns over to Congress for consideration, and refers to and approves of the reports of the heads of the various departments.

The libel suit of Edna Dean Proctor against Frank Moulton came to an unexpected termination this week by a settlement between the parties: Moulton confesses that what he stated against Miss Proctor was simply hearsay, and the matter of damages was left to a referee, who decided that Moulton should pay $4375, the costs in the case, and make an apology to Miss Proctor, she claiming to be satisfied with a vindication of her character without pecuniary damages. This was agreed to, and thus ends the first of the suits growing out of the Brooklyn scandal.

I believe it is in the power of Congress at this session to devise such legislation as shall renew confidence, revive all the industries, start the country on a career of prosperity to last many years, and to save the credit of the nation and the people. Steps toward the return to a specie basis are the great requisites to this devoutly to be sought for end.—President Grant, in his annual message.

Shocking Accident at Fall River.—A terrible accident occurred about 5 o'clock Friday afternoon, near Slade's ferry, Fall River, where the Old Colony railroad company are constructing a bridge across Taunton river. They were engaged in sinking a pneumatic cylinder which is to form a portion of the pier, when the upper flange of the air-lock to which the cover was secured, together with the cover, was blown off by the pressure of air in the cylinder, which at the time was 30 pounds per square inch as indicated by the pressure-gage. Eight men were in the cylinder at the time, three of whom were killed outright, one other fatally injured, and one seriously. The remaining three escaped uninjured.

Suspended.—Last week, some of the boot shops in Spencer closed down entirely, and those now running will most of them close this week or next. All of the shops will resume work, early in January, and the manufacturers generally express the opinion that the boot business will open up brisk. More boots were made in Spencer, last year, than in any other place in the United States.

The Sovereigns.—The Sovereigns of Industry certainly seem to be prospering. At their annual meeting in Worcester this week it was reported that the order now numbered 100 councils and about 10,000 members, a gain of 43 councils and 7000 members during the seven months since the organization of the state council.

Another Clerical Scandal.—Following in the wake of the Brooklyn and Jersey City scandals comes another from Westchester, Pa., where Rev. Joseph Stittim is on trial for the alleged seduction of the daughter of one of his parishioners. The church officials are confident of the minister's innocence.

The Grangers.—Thirty-four of the 64 granges in this State were represented at Worcester this week, by their masters, and there were about 300 delegates present. The membership is now 2700, a gain of 1300 since last February, including 27 new granges which have been formed.

A Hearty old Man.—Dr. Peter Gonsolus, a stout old Texan of 76 years, has had six wives, always marrying a young girl, and is the father of 54 children, 48 of whom are living and doing well. So he says.

Bold Robbery.—A passenger train on the Kansas Pacific Railway was robbed on Tuesday near Kansas City, Mo., by a gang of desperadoes, of $27,000, in care of Wells, Fargo & Co.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

....Wood's Household Magazine for *June*, 1874, is just out.

....J. G. Allen, Esq., is confined to his house by severe illness, brought on by over-exertion.

....The latest novelty in this village is the "99 cent store" just opened in Squier's block, Main street.

....Meeting of the Temperance Reform Club at the vestry of the Cong. church next Monday evening.

....Chas. B. Fisk, cashier of Holyoke National Bank, and formerly of Palmer, is confined to his bed by sickness.

....The Boston & Albany R. R. praying band have been assisting the Adventists at their evening meetings this week.

....The 2d Cong. S. S. is preparing for a Christmas concert to take the place of the regular monthly concert for December.

....Morrison & Collin's variety troupe entertained about 100 persons, at Town Hall, Saturday evening, with a good show of its kind.

....Episcopal services will be held at the District Court Room to-morrow (Sunday) evening, at 7 o'clock, Rev. Mr. Atwill of Ware officiating.

....Work at the carpet factory, under the efficient management of Deacon Pinney, is being rapidly pushed, and four looms are already running.

....The Sunday school teachers meet with Mrs. Laura Child, at Capt. Dewey's next Thursday evening, for the study of the lesson for the next Sabbath.

....If you are looking for holiday presents that will be useful as well as attractive don't fail to read the new advertisement of George Robinson this week.

....The Universalists have been obliged to discontinue their weekly services for lack of a place of meeting, but hope to be able next Spring to build a chapel of their own.

....The "Christmas Messenger," a four page paper for the holidays will be issued next week by G. H. Appleton, of the Boston drug store. It will be for gratuitous circulation.

....Rev. Mr. Shepardson of Wales has been laboring at the Baptist church this week, preaching Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday evenings to good audiences, and with much earnestness.

....The school committee have issued in a neat pamphlet, "The rules and regulations for the government of the public schools of Palmer," a copy of which will be furnished to each family sending children to school in the town.

....John Short, the engineer at George Fowler's paper mill in Bondville, had a narrow escape from death Wednesday afternoon. By some accident he jumped into a vat of boiling hot pulp, and was only saved from a horrible death by clinging to the sides of the vat until pulled out by Mr. Fowler, who was near. His legs were so badly scalded that the flesh peeled off.

....The new iron railroad bridge over the Quaboag is nearly finished, and it is expected that both sections will be ready for trains to-day. The bridge is built in two distinct sections, the one on the southern side having been used by trains for over a week past. The whole work has occupied about two months. The company have now commenced work on a similar bridge near West Warren.

....The pleasant dancing party at the Antique House, last week Friday evening, in which some 40 couple participated, was fully enjoyed by all, and was only the commencement of a series of similar assemblies to be held once a fortnight, with music under the direction of J. L. Bacon. The second of the series will be held next week Friday evening, at Antique House, and the tickets are placed at the low price of 75 cents.

....At the district court this week Justice Robinson has presided, on account of the sickness of Judge Allen. Two tramps were convicted of vagrancy, and sentenced to 60 days each in the House of Correction. F. Ashworth, complained of by Constable Palmer for drunkenness and cruelty to his horse, was fined $3 and costs for the first offence, which he paid, and sentenced to 60 days in the House of Correction for the second, from which judgment he appealed, and was released on bail. He stoutly denies being drunk at the time.

....The annual meeting of the Eastern Hampden Agricultural Society was held at the Antique House on Monday and the following officers chosen for the ensuing year:—President, H. P. Wakefield: vice presidents, E B Gates of Palmer and Chas Carpenter of Monson; directors, Enos Calkins of Palmer, G M Graves of Monson, J S Blair of Brimfield, Horace Wallis, Jr., of Holland, H M Sessions of Wilbraham, R S Hastings of Palmer, H M Perry of Belchertown, W M Tucker of Monson; secretary and treasurer, George Robinson. It was also voted that the president be directed to use his influence to have the time of the annual fair changed, so as to come earlier in the season. The society is some $250 behind on account of the extra expenses they have been at the past year and also on account of the cold weather at the time of the last fair, which made the receipts much smaller than usual. They have expended $300 on the track the past year.

....The dull times have thrown so many people out of employment that scarcely a day passes without more or less of these fellows applying for lodgings to Mr. Calkins. Three were entertained by him at the tramp room in Allen block, one night this week, and well fed, but on release started around the village, begging food, under pretence that he had not given them sufficient. At a later hour however, they were found to have money enough to buy cigars, and making considerable disturbance they were marched back to the lock-up. They were arraigned before Justice Robinson and found guilty of being vagrants, receiving a sentence to the house of correction. The majority of these fellows are idle and shiftless, who take to tramping from choice rather than necessity, and the deserving ones often suffer on account of their doings. The true way to rid the coutry of these pests is by arresting them for vagrancy, unless they show a desire or willingness to work, rather than simply beg.

OBITUARY.

Dr. A. D. Bullock, better known as "Reverend" in this vicinity, died at Wyoming, R. I., Dec. 3d. He was a native of Bristol county, and learned the printing business in the eastern part of the State. He subsequently went to Pittsfield and was for awhile student in the medical college there. He afterwards changed his purpose of becoming a physician and fitted himself for the ministry. He came to Palmer in the winter of 1855, and was ordained pastor of the Baptist church in this village April 11th of that year, Rev. Dr. Porter of Pittsfield preaching the ordination sermon. He remained with this church till 1858, when failing health influenced him to relinquish the ministry and accept a position in the editorial department of the Springfield Union. He remained there for about a year, when he took a similar position at Fall River, and a little later put up his sign as "Doctor" in Providence, R. I. He followed that profession till the time of his death. Mr. Bullock made an acceptable pastor here, and was much liked by all who knew him. He was fine-grained in everything pertaining to the make-up of a man and Christian, and his sermons always bore marks of careful study, maturity of thought and earnestness of purpose.

BRIMFIELD.

The supreme court, at its special term in Springfield, on Monday, rendered an absolute decree in the divorce case of Augusta E. versus Thomas Crittenden of Brimfield.

AMHERST.

The college vacation begins Dec. 16.

Prof. Seelye is delivering a course of lectures at Yale.

A course of lectures on English Literature, by James T. Field, has been arranged.

The Amherst Student offers a prize of $25 for the best article contributed during the winter term.

The exhibition in gymnastics takes place to-day (Saturday). The prospects are that the Washburn prize of $100 will be awarded to the senior class.

Amherst college voted last Tuesday not to send representatives to the inter-collegiate literary contest, which occurs at Hartford, Jan. 5, 1875.

THREE RIVERS.

The Palmer Mills have their new cloth room nearly ready for occupancy.

Frank Powers has his new house, opposite the Baptist church, nearly enclosed, and will occupy it in the spring.

The horse of Geo. W. Gorham became frightened at the railroad crossing Thursday morning, and ran, throwing Mr. Gorham out and breaking his ankle.

Dr. Silas Ruggles has commenced the foundation for a new block next to Holden Bros. store. The lower part will be rented for stores, while a hotel is to occupy the upper part.

One of the overseers of the Palmer Mills disappeared very suddenly last week Tuesday, and is not expected to return. It seems there was a woman connected with this case, and as he was a married man, the village was soon too hot to hold him.

Charles Loring and Joseph Devine have formed a copartnership under the firm name of Loring and Devine, and have taken rooms over the saloon of Geo. W. Gorham, for the purpose of cutting and shaving the bearded denizens of our quiet village—or, in plain English, they have started a barber's shop.

W. H. Fisher, agent for the Springfield, Athol & Northeastern R. R., lost his wife about two weeks ago, and accompanied the body to her home in Maine, but forgot to come back. He is said to be a defaulter to the railroad company to the amount of some $200, and also owes private parties nearly as much. He has until lately been agent for the express company, but was removed just before he left, and they lose nothing.

MONSON.

A good religious interest is enjoyed at the M. E. church.

N. B. Beekwith, of the 99 cent store, has a fresh assortment of fancy goods for the holidays and other days.

Carroll's accommodation bus, running from South Monson to every train, is a great accommodation to the traveling public.

Joel H. Thompson is putting in the foundation for a cellar on his South Main street lot, preparatory to erecting a dwelling house.

The Carolina singers had a small audience on Tuesday evening, but their entertainment was favorably spoken of by those present.

And now S. F. Cushman, C. W. Holmes, Alfred Norcross, A. A. Gage, R. M. Reynolds and the Methodist society have street lamps, and our village presents quite a city-like appearance in the evening with its 20 street lamps.

The estate of the late George Chandler having been represented insolvent by the administrator, Judge J. G. Allen of Palmer and G. H. Newton of Monson have been appointed commissioners to receive and approve claims presented.

Last Wednesday over 20 ladies of the M. E. society met at the parsonage and sewed for Rev. Mrs. W. Silverthorn, and did excellent service. They provided a good supper, and enjoyed a very pleasant time with their pastor and family. Mrs. Silverthorn and her whole family feel very thankful to the ladies for their kindness.

One of the Carolina singers (colored) stopping at the Cushman House, on Tuesday afternoon, enquired of Nancy, the cook at the hotel, for the "croquet set." Nancy not fully understanding him, and being a little bashful withal, thought he said "hoe cake," and responded that they had no hoe cake, but she would get him some biscuit if he desired. He spoke louder and plainer "croquet," and the desired articles were forthcoming.

On Christmas eve, Thursday, the 24th, the Ladies' Benevolent Society of the M. E. church will, with the generous help of their gentlemen friends, provide a supper and Christmas tree in the vestry of their church. Their friends are respectfully and earnestly invited to assist them in every way to make Christmas eve at the M. E. church a pleasant and profitable season. All are welcome to this merry Christmas tree and supper.

One of those enjoyable times, which we like to record, occurred at the residence of Mr. J. R. Hoar, on Monday evening, the 23d ult., the occasion being the tenth anniversary of their wedding day. Some fifty or sixty friends and neighbors were present to unite in congratulations and expression of good will. The couple looked scarcely any older than ten years ago, and the Major appeared just as full of ambition and jolly good greeting as ever The evening was pleasantly spent, refreshments plenty and all appeared as happy as could be wished. About $30 worth of presents were left as a token of the friendship of the visitors.

WARE AND VICINITY.

....The Young Men's Library now contains 2,000 volumes.

....One of our dry goods merchants is "under a cloud"—indebtedness reported large, with a fair amount of assets.

....Rev. E. G. Adams of Templeton will preach at the Unitarian church next Sabbath in exchange with the pastor, Rev. John Lyon.

....The sermom preached at the Cong. church at Gilbertville, by Rev. John Perkins, is soon to be issued from the press of C. W. Eddy.

....The evening school began Monday evening, under Mr. Coney's direction, and is very largely attended. Miss Billings, assistant teacher, has resigned.

....The St. Jean Baptiste Society have headquarters in Webb's building, over Simeon Cunningham's store, which are open to members on Monday, Tuesday and Saturday evenings.

....A horse, driven by Henry Utley, last Tuesday evening, became frightened at the breaking of a portion of the carriage to which he was attached, ran down Maple street, overturning the carriage and its occupant, but very fortunately did not injure the latter in the least. The vehicle was somewhat damaged and the horse slightly damaged. A narrow escape from serious results.

....The fourth annual canvass of Mass., by the state executive committee of Y. M. C. Association, began at Lee on the 1st inst., and will include over sixty cities and towns during the next four months. The committee will reach Ware on Tuesday, 29th inst., and hold services for two days. They ask the hearty co-operation of pastors and lay-workers in the churches, that these efforts may be abundantly blessed. For place of meeting and hours of service we shall be compelled to wait the decision of those in charge.

....The first lecture of the "People's Course" will be given at the Unitarian church on Tuesday evening next by Wm. H. Baldwin, Esq., president of the Y. M. C. Union of Boston. Subject, "America's definition of nobility." Tickets for the course have been placed at the low price of one dollar, and therefore within the reach of all. Admission to single lecture, 15 cents. Tickets to be be obtained at the principal stores. Let there be a general patronage on the part of our citizens, and thus show an appreciation of the opportunity afforded us by those instrumental in establishing this course, and at so reasonable a price.

....The North Carolina colored singers gave an entertainment at the Unitarian vestry, Monday evening, to an audience that numbered less than 75 persons. Those who were present, however, were well entertained by the singing of the cabin and plantation songs peculiar to the South. This troupe consists of eight vocalists—three ladies and five gentlemen. The thin attendance was owing chiefly to two facts: the attractions at Music Hall on the same evening, and furthermore the same company had given three concerts in town about one year ago, and could not, under the circumstances, expect a full house on this occasion.

☞Charles Carleton, a lad fourteen years old, has been detected in New Haven of the crime of theft from the letter box in the post office. His plan was to fix pins in the box so as to prevent letters deposited from sliding in. He secured about $150 from letters in this way.

☞Two youths, named A. Boyle and F. Tirrell, pupils at the New Hampshire state reform school in Manchester, attempted to burn that institution by setting fire to their beds Saturday evening, but timely discovery prevented a conflagration.

☞State Constable Batchelder has his hands full finishing up the business of his predecessors and getting ready to die, officially, at the end of this month.

☞A savings bank at Corinth, Miss., was boldly robbed Tuesday afternoon by four scoundrels, who carried away $5000 in money and other valuables.

☞A submerged forest has been discovered in the English river Orwell, which extends along the bed of the river a distance of three miles.

☞Booth's Theatre, New York, has been sold to Oliver Ames, 2d, a nephew of the late Oakes Ames, for $361,000.

☞The Central Vermont Railroad is to adopt the plan of fifteen cents fare extra if tickets are not bought at the stations.

☞A Portland belle was made quite sick by wearing an arsenic green tarletan dress at a ball a few nights ago.

Itemical.

—L. J. Powers couldn't find time to be mayor of Springfield, but finds ample leisure to be alderman.

—Twenty men in Boston think we should have more paper currency, and have held a meeting to talk about it.

—Springfield has a new wonder, in the shape of a young man whose voice comprises several octaves, and can span thirteen notes on a piano. The spirits are said to help him, and it is not the first time that spirits have been the means of making a great noise.

—Collins Graves' horse—that famous beast who saved so many lives at Haydenville from the Mill River flood—has been running away and jumping into the river. Somebody had better seize upon the occasion and write a thrilling poem.

—The King of the Sandwich Islands is moving east as fast as possible. He is booked for Boston.

—They are still praying at the rumsellers down in Maine.

—Nice weather for winter, and we pray Old Probabilities to give us as much of it as is possible.

—Santa Claus begins to let us know he is coming.

☞The first number of the New England Journal of Education will be published at Boston, January 2d, 1875, under the auspices of American Institute of Instruction, and the Teachers' Associations of the several New England States. Hon. T. W. Bicknell resigns his position as commissioner of public schools of Rhode Island to assume its editorial management, and Chas. C. Chatfield of New Haven, Ct., removes to Boston to take charge of the publishing. The Journal of Education will be issued weekly, each number containing twenty pages, of the size of the Christian Union, at the subscription price of $3 per year, including postage.

☞William Renne, the celebrated patent medicine man, has projected a new idea, which is nothing less than a grand contest, by the several companies of the Pittsfield fire department, for a prize of $25, at a public concert in a Methodist church, the company rendering "Old Hundred" or "Coronation" best, to receive the money. What can we expect next?

☞A man named Welch, while digging in the Mill River valley a few days ago, found a diamond ring worth nearly $100, which was lost from the finger of the wife of Conductor Chandler, of the New Haven and Northamton Railroad when that lady was drowned during the flood.

☞There is an old woman in the retreat for the insane at Hartford who has been an inmate of the institution for forty-six year, and, before she entered it, she was in another insane asylum for two years.

☞A canal of the Dwight Cotton Manufacturing Company at Chicopee broke away, Saturday night, carrying off a part of a house owned by the corporation, and involving a loss of about $5000.

☞At Montgomery, Ohio, a few nights ago, Mrs. Daniel Logan, a woman weighing 280 pounds, accidentally fell out of bed, breaking her neck, and dying instantly.

☞Montague, the lately captured Northampton horse thief, proves to have stole 35 horses, 29 of them in New Hampshire, with other States to be heard from.

☞Four carrier pigeons were recently sold in London for an aggregate sum of $375, one of the four bringing $150.

☞It is expected that the Shanleys will have completed their portion of their work at Hoosac Tunnel by Christmas.

☞A North Adams teacher has been arrested for illegal severity in punishing a boy of 15 with a rattan.

The following card was accidentally omitted from our last issue:

A Card.—The widow and parents of Warren R. Fay desire to express, through the columns of this paper, their thanks to the many friends, who so kindly rendered their assistanee during the long illness of the deceased, and especially would they remember his friends and shopmates for their generous gifts.

A Man in Ruins.—One of the saddest spectacles in the world is a human being shattered and broken down by the use of ardent spirits. But the damage may be repaired, the ruin restored to perfect soundness, by a course of that most powerful of all invigorants, Dr. Walker's Vinegar Bitters. Beware of those "tonics" of which rum is an element. They aggravate disease and promote decay. 4w31

Stop that Cough.—If everything has failed in your case, try Dr. Morris' Syrup of Tar, Wild Cherry and Horehound. There is no pulmonary complaint which it will not cure or greatly relieve. As a remedy for all throat and lung diseases, cure for colds, croup, and preventive of consumption, it has no equal. Acts like a charm in whooping cough, sore throat and hoarseness Contains no opium, and is pleasant to take. Trial bottles 10 cents. WILDER & BLOOD, sole agents for Ware. Call at their drug store and ask about it. Smith, Doolittle & Smith, Boston, wholesale agents. 1y41

A Card to the Public.—A Short Postponement of the Fifth Gift Concert.—As manager of the gift concerts given in aid of the Public Library of Kentucky, my position creates an important trust in behalf of the Public Library and the ticket-holders of the fifth gift concert. The Public Library of Kentucky and the ticket-holders are jointly interested in the amount of the drawing. The larger the fund to be distributed in gifts the greater will be the gift awarded each lucky ticket-holder, and the more the amount realized by the Library. To have a full drawing is so manifestly to the interest of those interested that, rather than have a fractional drawing on the 30 inst. I deem it due to the trust confided to me by the ticket-holders and the Public Library of Kentucky, that a short postponement be made to enable me to dispose of the unsold tickets and have a full drawing. Though the very large amount now in bank would enable us to distribute handsome gifts, yet we should feel disappointed in this our last concert, should we be compelled to make a fractional drawing, however large.

We have received so very large a number of letters from all parts of the country from those most largely interested, urging a postponement if all the tickets be not sold by the 30th, that we feel strengthened in our sense of duty to the ticket-holders and the Public Library, to make the postponement. Under the circumstances, we have determined, in the interest of all parties, to postpone the concert and drawing to Saturday, Feb. 27, 1875, at which time the drawing will positively take place, and, as a guarantee of good faith toward the ticket-holders, we pledge ourselves to refund to any ticket holder his money, upon presentation of his ticket, should the drawing fail to come off at the day now fixed. The past, we feel assured, will be sufficient guarantee to all interested that they will be fairly and honestly dealt with. The money paid for tickets is sacredly preserved against all contingencies until after the payment of the gifts, after which the expenses are to be reimbursed and the Public Library is to be paid its profits. THOS. E. BRAMLETTE,
Agent and Manager,
Louisville, Ky., Nov. 29, 1074. 1w41L

It is no wonder that invalids lose faith in all specifics, when so many worthless medicines are advertised for the cure of various diseases, but which, when tried, are "found wanting." We have yet to learn, however, of the first failure of Dr. Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry, to cure coughs, colds, and pulmonary disease.

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At the Cong. parsonage, Ware Center, 8th, by Rev. W. G. Tuttle, JAMES W. BRECKENRIDGE and FANNY E. FISHERDICK. No cards.

At West Brookfield, 9th, by Rev. J. F. Bassett, CHARLES F. ADAMS of Union, Ct., and CLARA M. CRILLIS of West Brookfield.

At Brimfield, 26th ult., CHARLES S. TARBELL and LIZZIE MUNROE.

DIED.

At Duckville, 9th, MARY FITZGERALD, 70.

At Gilbertville, 9th, EUNICE DAVIS, 79.

At West Warren, 3d, Mrs. JOHN BROOKS, 75.

At Wyoming, R. I., 3d, Dr. A. D. BULLOCK, formerly pastor of the Baptist church in Palmer.

At Belchertown, 6th, ASA G. CANTERBURY, 46.

At Stafford, Ct., 8th, MARY T. FERRY, 85; AZUBAH E. CHAFFEE, 34.

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Palmer, Dec. 12, 1874. 1w41

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Palmer, Dec. 10, 1874. 3w41*

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.—HAMPDEN ss. PROBATE COURT.—To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of Luther Parker, late of Wales, in said county, deceased, Greeting:

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, has been presented to said court for probate, by Orre Parker, who prays that letters of administration, with the will annexed, may be issued to him, the executrix named in said will having declined said trust.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Springfield, on the first Tuesday of January next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, against the same.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once a week, for three successive weeks, in the newspaper called the Palmer Journal, printed at Palmer, the last publication to be two days at least before said court.

Witness, William S. Shurtleff, Esquire, Judge of said court, this tenth day of December, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.
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SAMUEL W. WHITNEY, Adm'r.,
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W. S. HYDE, Cashier.
Ware, Dec. 9, 1874. 4w41

MONSON NATIONAL BANK.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank, for the election of directors for the ensuing year, and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before them, will be holden on Tuesday, the 12th day of January, 1875, at 2 o'clock p. m.

E. F. MORRIS, Cashier.
Monson, Mass., Dec. 10, 1874. 5w41

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Japan, 60, 70, 80, 90, best $1	"
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Mixed, 50, 60, 70, 80, best 90c.	"
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Granulated, 20c; Granulated 8 o'clock Breakfast, 25c; Granulated Extra Choice, 28c; Granulated Old Java, 30c; Roasted Coffee, 30 and 35c; Green Coffee, 22, 25 and 30. 4w39b

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MARK THE NUMBER, 376.

4w39 **O. D. MORSE.**

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.—HAMPDEN, ss. PROBATE COURT.—To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of Sarah E. Gilligan late of Wilbraham in said county, deceased, greeting:

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said court for probate, by Marietta Beebe who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her the executrix therein named, you are hereby cited to appear at a probate court to be held at Springfield, in said county of Hampden, on the first Tuesday of January next at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, against the same.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once a week, for three successive weeks, in the newspaper called the Palmer Journal, printed at Palmer, the last publication to be two days, at least, before said court.

Witness, William S. Shurtleff, Esquire, judge of said court, this twenty-fourth day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

SAMUEL B. SPOONER, Register.
*3w39

L. S. COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.—HAMPDEN ss. First Saturday of November, 1874.

District Court of Eastern Hampden, in the county of Hampden, William Holbrook of Palmer, in said county, plaintiff, and R. C. Worthing of said Palmer defendant. In an action of contract for the recovery of one hundred dollars, as by writ on file in this court will more fully appear.

And now it appearing to said court that said defendant, at the time of the service of the writ, was not an inhabitant of or resident in this Commonwealth, and that no legal service thereof had been made on him. It is ordered that notice be given to said defendant to appear at a term of said court to be holden at Palmer, in said county, on the first Saturday of January next, or his default will be recorded and judgment rendered against him, and that said notice be given by publishing an attested copy of this order, in the Palmer Journal, a newspaper printed in Palmer, in said county of Hampden, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days before the said first Saturday of January next, or by serving him with an attested copy of this order, seven days before the said first Saturday of January.

JAMES G. ALLEN,
Justice of said Court.

A copy. Attest: JAMES G. ALLEN,
Justice of said Court.
S. S. TAFT, Plaintiff's Atty. 3w40

BEAUTIFUL REAL HUMAN HAIR SWITCHES FOR HALF PRICES.—The stock in the store of the late Madam Manger is the best and largest in Springfield, and is being closed out to settle up the estate. Those who wish a good hair switch at half price should visit the store soon. There are several thousand dollars' worth of goods yet, but the low prices are bringing customers from a distance. Come early and secure something handsome. $25 switches for $12.50, and others in proportion. Orders by mail promptly answered. C. L. GRIBBIE, (late store of Madam Manger), 425 Main street, (under Hampden Hall,) Springfield, Mass. 40tf

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OLD JOURNAL BLOCK.]
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Affords more protection than any other one garment can, effectually protecting the vitals. We can refer customers to many, all around us, who are using this Protector, and who declare they are the best thing they have ever used.

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THE SUN.

WEEKLY AND DAILY FOR 1875.

The approach of the Presidential election gives unusual importance to the events and developments of 1875. We shall endeavor to describe them fully, faithfully, and fearlessly.

THE WEEKLY SUN has now attained a circulation of over seventy thousand copies. Its readers are found in every State and Territory, and its quality is well known to the public. We shall not only endeavor to keep it fully up to the old standard, but to improve and add to its variety and power.

THE WEEKLY SUN will continue to be a thorough newspaper. All the news of the day will be found in it, condensed when unimportant, at full length when of moment, and always, we trust, treated in a clear, interesting and instructive manner.

It is our aim to make the WEEKLY SUN the best family newspaper in the world. It will be full of entertaining and appropriate reading of every sort, but will print nothing to offend the most scrupulous and delicate taste. It will always contain the most interesting stories and romances of the day, carefully selected and legibly printed.

The Agricultural Department is a prominent feature in the WEEKLY SUN, and its articles will always be found fresh and useful to the farmer.

The number of men independent in politics is increasing, and the WEEKLY SUN is their paper especially. It belongs to no party, and obeys no dictation, contending for principle, and for the election of the best men. It exposes the corruption that disgraces the country and threatens the overthrow of republican institutions. It has no fear of knaves, and seeks no favors from their supporters.

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The price of the WEEKLY SUN is one dollar a year for a sheet of eight pages, and fifty-six columns. As this barely pays the expense of paper and printing, we are not able to make any discount or allow any premium to friends who may make special efforts to extend its circulation. Under the new law, which requires payment of postage in advance, one dollar a year, with twenty cents the cost of prepaid postage added, is the rate of subscription. It is not necessary to get up a club in order to have the WEEKLY SUN at this rate. Anyone who sends one dollar and twenty cents will get the paper, post-paid, for a year.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.—HAMPDEN, ss. PROBATE COURT.—To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of Ariel Rogers, late of Monson, in said county, deceased, greeting:

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said court, for probate, by Elkanah Rogers who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him the executor therein named, you are hereby cited to appear at a probate court to be held at Springfield, in said county of Hampden, on the first Tuesday of January next at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, against the same.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once a week, for three successive weeks in the newspaper called the Palmer Journal, printed at Palmer, the last publication to be two days, at least, before said court, and by mailing a copy hereof to each of said next of kin, as reside out of this Commonwealth fourteen days at least before said court.

Witness, William S. Shurtleff, Esquire judge of said court, this twenty-fourth day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

SAMUEL B. SPOONER, Register.
Copy. Attest: SAMUEL B. SPOONER,
3w39 Register.

A Word of Cheer.

What though clouds are round about thee,
Earth seems dark, and cold, and drear!
Surely there's a better country
Than we've ever dreamed of here.

There no cloud shall dim thy vision,
All is light and warmth and love;
There's a home for all the homeless,
In "our Father's house" above.

What though none are left to love thee,
No one canst thou call thine own!
He has said, "I'm with you always;"
Fear not, thou are not alone!

Walk by faith a little longer;
Keep thy heart all free from guile;
Soon thou'lt hear the blessed Master
Say, "Well done—come home, my child."

THE COST OF OUR RECENT WAR.—Mr. David A. Wells has furnished the Cobden Club of England with an essay upon the expenses, income and taxes of the United States. We copy the following statement of the cost of the Rebellion:

The whole cost of the war to the Northern and Southern States from 1861 to 1866 is estimated as follows: Lives, 1,000,000; property, by destruction, waste, etc., $9,000,000,000. The gross expenditures of the United States from June 1861 to July 1866, $5,792,257,000. Of this the actual war expenses were about $5,342,237,000.

The expenses of States, counties, cities and towns in the Northern States, not represented by funded debts, have been estimated at $500,000,000. The increase of State debts on the war account was $123,000,000. The increase of city, town and county debts is estimated at $200,000,000. Total war expenses of the loyal States and the National Government, $6,165,237,000.

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☞A lady we know went to a Dutch corner grocery the other day for some trifling thing. The goods wanted were on the very top shelf. The woman placed a box on a chair and climbed to the shelf, at evident risk of her limbs. Her husband sat by the stove playing with a small dog. Lady said: "Why don't you make your husband reach it?" A look of infinite contempt came into her face, and she replied: "My husband, I got awfully sucked in mit dat man. He knows nothing but to play mit a dog."

☞While T. D. Jones was in Columbus, modelling his bust of Chase, a young man of the Sparkler order of architects approached him one night at a social gathering with the following inquiry: "Er-er—say! er-er so you're the man-er—that makes mud heads, ain't you?" "Yes," said Tom, blandly, "do you want a new one?"

☞An old bachelor in Indiana became so alarmed at the persistent efforts of a widow to marry him that he turned over all his property to her, and then ran away, leaving word that he left her the property so that she need not follow him.

☞The extraordinary contortions of a man who attempts to cross a New York street on a rainy day are only equalled by the sickly misery depicted upon his face when he flops down in the gutter and finds he has made a mistake.

☞The fog was so thick in Troy early the other moring that the Times solemnly avers one could not distinguish a policeman from a hitching-post across the street, if he didn't know that hitching-posts never snore.

☞It is said that bleeding a partially blind horse at the nose will restore him to sight; so much for the horse. To open a man's eyes you must bleed him in the pocket.

☞Nothing will sooner tempt a bachelor to abandon his resolution to marry than to sleep in the adjoining room to a couple with a collicky baby.

☞Somebody advertises a preparation for keeping a lady's hands free from chaps. A report that she has no money would do the same thing.

☞Can any of our exchanges inform us why it is that Louisville girls always have a mole between their shoulders?—*Louisville Journal.*

☞The body of a murdered man at Little Rock had thirty-four bullets in it, and the printer thought the obituary should be leaded.

☞A Niagara county man asked to be excused from serving as a juror, the other day, because "his mother-in-law was sick."

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G. W. BENTLEY, Gen. Supt.
New London, Conn.
Nov. 1st, 1874. 51tf

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EDGERTON & DAVIS.
Palmer, July 1, 1874. 18tf

Kisses at Market.

"Tell me, dearest husband," Kitty said,
"Before you go, I pray,
"How shall I get the meat and bread
For our noon-meal to-day?"

"Buy them with smiles," the husband cried.
"But that won't pay," say she.
"Then take this kiss," her lord replied,
And to his shop went he.

The noontime came, and he came, too,
And the dinner was prepared—
A tender steak was full in view;
"Quite splendid!" he declared.

He said he wished to have such meat
Three times a day in future;
"But tell me love, for this great treat
What did you pay the butcher?"

"What did I pay?—I paid the kiss—
'Twas all you left, you know."
"A-a-ll right," said he, "but after this,
Take money when you go."

A NORWEGIAN SKETCH.

BY BJORNSTERNE BJORNSON.

Thord Overhass was the leading man in the parish. One day he presented himself in the clergyman's study, looking very grave and important.

'I've got a son,' he said, 'and I wish to have him christened.'

'What shall the name be?'

'Finn; after my father.'

'And the god-father's and god-mother's?'

Thord named them; they were of his own kin, some of the head folks in the parish.

'Anything else?' asked the clergyman, looking up.

The farmer paused a little.

'I should like to have him christened by himself,' he said.

'On a week-day, then?'

'Next Saturday, at twelve.'

'Anything else?' asked the clergyman.

'Nothing,' and the farmer turned his hat as if he wished to go.

Then the clergyman rose:

'I think there is yet this, he said, and went across to Thord, grasped his hand, and looked into his eyes: "Yet to wish that God may make the child a blessing to you.'

Sixteen years after, again one day Thord stood in the clergyman's room.

'You wear well, Thord,' said the clergyman; for he saw hardly any change in him.

'Well, I've nothing to trouble me,' answered Thord.

'The clergyman gave no reply! but after a pause asked:

'I've come about that son of mine, who is going to be confirmed to-morrow.

'Ah, he's a bright lad.

'I thought I wouldn't pay the clergyman till I had heard what number the boy's going to get at the church.

'He is going to be number one.'

'Well, now I know that, here are ten daler for the clergyman.'

'Have you nothing more to say?' asked the clergyman.

'Nothing more; and Thord went out.

Another eight years had flown when one day the clergyman heard a great stir outside his study door, and several men walked in, with Thord at their head.

The clergyman looked up, and recognized him.

'You come with plenty of company this evening,' he said.

'I wish to ask you to publish the banns for my son; he is going to be married to Karen Strolden, daughter of Gudmund, who is now here.'

'Indeed; and she is the wealthiest woman in the parish.'

'So they say,' answered the farmer, pushing up his hair with one hand.

The clergyman sat awhile, as if in thought, but said nothing; then he entered the names in his books, and the men signed them.

Thord laid three daler on the table.

'But it's only one daler,' said the clergyman.

'I knew that; but he's my only child—I'm willing to do what's handsome.'

'The clergyman took up the money. This is now the third time, Thord, you have come here on behalf of your son.'

'Yes, and now I've done with him,' replied Thord; and he closed his pocket-book, said, 'Good evening,' and went out. The other men followed slowly.

A fortnight after, one calm still day, the father and son set out to row across the lake to Storliden, to talk about the wedding.

'The thwart beneath me doesn't lie steady,' said the son; and he rose up to put it right. At the same moment the bottom board he stepped upon slipped, and stretching out his arms and shrieking he fell into the lake.

'Catch hold on this oar!' cried the father, stretching it out.

But the son only made two strokes towards it before he became cramped.

'Stay a moment!' cried the father, and rowed toward him.

But the son fell back, gave one long look at the father, and sank.

Thord would not believe it was really so, but held the boat still, and kept his eyes fixed upon the spot where the son had gone down, expecting him to come up again.

A few bubbles came up; then some more; then just a single large one; that burst! and the lake lay again smooth as a mirror.

For three days and three nights the father was seen rowing round the spot, without pausing to take either food or sleep; he was dragging the lake. On the morning of the third day he found what he sought, and bore it over the hills to his home.

About a year after that time, the clergyman, late one autumn evening, heard somebody moving in the passage outside of his room door, and carefully fumbling for the latch. The clergyman opened the door, and there came in a man with white hair and a tall figure, wasted and bowed down. The clergyman looked long at him before he recognized him; it was Thord.

'You come late," said the clergyman; and then stood still before him.

'Yes—yes—I come late,' said Thord, and he sat down.

The clergyman than sat down also; and there was a long silence.

At last, Thord said:

'I have brought something I wish to give to the poor—I wish it to be a legacy in my son's name,' and he rose, laid some money on the table, and sat down again.

The clergyman counted the money.

'But here is a large sum,' he said.

'It's half the price of my farm: I sold it to-day.'

The clergyman sat long in silence. At last he said, gently:

'Well, Thord, and what do you wish now for yourself?'

'To be a better man.'

Again they sat in silence—Thord with his eyes downcast, and the clergyman looking earnestly at him.

Then the clergyman said, gently and slowly:

'I think now, at last, your son has become a blessing to you.'

'Yes, now I think that myself,' said Thord, and he looked up, and two tears fell heavily down his face.

THE MINUTENESS OF ATOMS.

Goldbeaters, by hammering, can reduce gold to leaves so thin, that 282,000 must be laid upon each other to produce the thickness of an inch; yet these leaves are perfect, or without holes, so that one of them laid upon any surface, as in gilding, gives the appearance of solid gold. They are so thin, that if formed into a book, 1,500 would only occupy the space of a single leaf of common paper; and an octavo volume of an inch thick would have as many pages as the books of a well-stocked ordinary library, of 1,500 volumes, with four hundred pages in each. Still thinner than this is the coating of gold on the silver wire of what is called gold lace; and we are not sure that such coating is of only one atom thick. Platinum and silver can be drawn into the wire much finer than human hair. A grain of blue vitriol, or carmine, will tinge a gallon of water, so that in every drop the color may be perceived. In the milt of codfish, or in water which certain vegetables have been infused, the microscope discovers animalcules of which many thousands together do not equal in bulk a grain of sand; and yet nature, with a singular prodigality, has supplied many of these with organs as complex as those of a whale or elephant; and the bodies consist of the same substances, or ultimate atoms, as that of man himself. In a single pound of such matter there are more living creatures than of human being on the face of this globe. What a scene has the microscope opened to the admiration of the philosophic inquirer! Water, mercury, sulphur, or in general any substance when sufficiently heated, rises as vapor or gas; that is, it is reduced to the aeriform state. Great heat, therefore, would cause the whole of the material universe to disappear and the most solid bodies to become quite as invisible and impalpable as the air we breathe. For we have contemplated an annihilation of the world more complete than this.

A LUCKY MAN.

A deaf editor tells the following story to illustrate the advantage of his misfortune: "We thought everybody in the state knew that we are deaf, but once in a while we find one who is not aware of the fact. A female book-peddler came to the office the other day. She wished to dispose of a book. She was unmarried, and had no manly heart into which she could pour her sufferings; therefore, we ought to invest in her book. She had a liberal education, and could talk French like a native; we could not in consequence, pay her less than two dollars for a book. We had listened attentively, and he broke in with: "What did you say? We're deaf.' She started with a loud voice, and went through her rigmorole. When she had finished, we went and got a roll of paper, and made it into a speaking trumpet, placed one end to our ear, and told her to proceed. She nearly broke a blood-vessel in her effort to make herself heard. She commenced: 'I am alone in this world—' 'It does not make the slightest difference to us. We are a husband and a father. Bigamy is not allowed in this state. We are not eligible to proposals.' 'Oh, what a fool the man is!' she said in a low tone; then, at the top of her voice: 'I don't want to marry you, I want to sell a b-o-o-k!' This last sentence was howled. 'We don't want a cook, we remarked blandly; 'our wife does the cooking, and she wouldn't allow as good-looking a woman as you to say in the house five minutes. She is very jealous.' She looked at us in despair. Gathering her robes about her, giving us a glance of contempt, she exclaimed: "I do believe that if a three-hundred-pounder were let off alongside that deaf fool's head he'd think somebody was knocking at the door.' You should have heard her slam the door when she went out. We heard that!"

A PRETTY RAILROAD STORY.—The Providence (R. I.) Journal has the credit of originating this neat little story: "As the mid-day Worcester train was about leaving the depot one day, a man of the Johnsonian manners entered one of the cars and gruffly requested that two young ladies occupying separate seats should sit together, that he and his friend might enjoy a tete-a-tete on the other seat. 'But,' said one of the young damsels, blushing, 'this seat is engaged.' 'Engaged, is it?' 'A young man,' said the conscientious maiden. 'A young man, eh! where's his baggage?' persisted Ursa Major. 'I'm his baggage, Old Hateful,' replied the demure damsel, pursing her rosy lips into the prettiest pout. 'Old Hateful' subsided; the young man came in and extended an arm protectingly, almost caressingly, around his baggage, and Conductor Capron started the train."

☞"Have you finished that murder?" was an expression heard, in a stentorian voice, by an outsider, just entering a printing office. It had such a magical effect that he immediately stepped down and out the front door, vowing that he would not enter such a murderous place.

☞A young man asked for a copy of Homer's "Odyssey," at a bookstore in Norwich, Conn., the other day, and the clerk not finding it, remarked in a reflective way, "Well, we haven't any of Homer's latest works in at present."

☞No, but, we've always made it a rule never to buy a barrel of flour unless there four X's on each head, with thirty-one stars in a circle, and a chromo picture in the centre, and our cook has always good luck with biscuits.

At Night.

Hush! the birds have all ceased their singing,
The sun is wrapped in his mantle of gold,
The evening comes, and the shades are falling,
And mother must gather her lambs in the fold.

Little white feet on the chamber carpet,
Little white hands that are clasped in air,
Sweet little faces that are upward turning,
Child-voices whispering their evening prayer.

Rest, little feet that are weary playing,
The hymn is chanted, the prayer is done,
Rest, little faces upon the pillow,
For mother has kissed them every one.

Rest, little hearts that are yet untainted
With earthly sorrow, and care, and sin,
Rest, little crystal souls, unconscious
What foes await you, without and in.

Sleep, little ones, for around you ever
Guarding angels their white wings fold;
Sleep, for the great, good Shepherd knoweth
What precious lambs are within His fold.

WAYS TO SUCCESS.

Over fifty years ago a youth, working on a farm, asked his father to give him money enough to buy a gun. The old man could not spare it, but the boy, nothing daunted, found an old piece of iron about the place, and in course of time contrived to make a gun-barrel out of it, with the very meagre facilities afforded by a country blacksmith's shop. He had not the materials to make the lock and stock, so he walked to the nearest town and traded for the necessary attachments, and was encouraged by the smith for having made so good a shooter. This gave him the ambition to make another; so he went to cutting out grindstones from the native rock to raise the money for gun materials. In a short time there was a considerable demand for guns of his make. During the French war with Prussia he was called upon to furnish guns for the army, and in less than eight months he made and delivered to the government of France, rifles of a particular pattern, costing $5,000,000, which amount was duly paid. The same man furnishes rifles now for the United States, South America, Rome, Spain, Egypt and Japan. The farmer's boy who wanted a gun is Eliphalet Remington, of Ilion, N. Y. His manufactory covers four acres of ground, and he employs 1200 men. Not satisfied with this achievement, he has recently completed a sewing machine which is supposed to represent the latest and most perfect advance in the improvements of this important adjunct of domestic economy. This is the type of a boy who, when there is not a way, makes a way for himself.

YOUR LOCAL PAPER.

We find in one of our exchanges the following truthful observations concerning local papers, and the duty of giving them a wholesome support:

The local paper is an absolute necessity to the country and community where it is published. All the city papers cannot supply the place of the home paper. That should be the first love of every man and woman, for with the paper is the locality identified. The paper gives the county and town where printed much of their importance in the world, and gives in detail the local news, which cannot be gained by any other source. Every week's issue of the paper is so much local history, and the rise, growth, and development of the town and county can be measured and recorded only by the local newspaper that constantly is gathering its items. People do not properly appreciate their home newspapers. They measure the value of a newspaper too much by the number of columns it contains. The home paper at any price is the cheapest paper one can take, for in it is to be found the information to be obtained from no other source.

Another thing to be taken into consideration. Every county has one or more newspapers. Hence, the circulation of each paper must be limited. There is therefore the greatest need of activity and interest on the part of the people to give their own good paper, vigorous and substantial support.

BACHELOR'S WOE.—What a pitiful thing an old bachelor is, with his cheerless house and rueful phiz, on a bitter cold night, when the fierce winds blow, when the earth is covered a foot with snow; when the fire is out, and in shivering dread, he slips 'neath the sheets of his lonely bed. How he draws up his toes, encased in yarn hose, and hurles his nose beneath his chilly bed clothes; that his nose and his toes, still cased in yarn horse, may not chance to get froze. Then he puffs and he blows, and he swears he knows no mortal on earth ever suffered such woes, and with ahs! and ohs! and with limbs so disposed that neither his toes nor his nose may be froze, to his slumber he goes. In the morning when the cock crows, and the sun has just rose, from beneath the bed clothes pops the bachelor's nose; and you may suppose, when he hears the wind blow, and sees the window froze, why, back 'neath the cover pops the poor fellow's nose; for full well he knows, if from the bed he rose, to put on his clothes, that he would surely be froze.

WHAT CAME OF DISOBEDIENCE.—By the disobedience of a lad in 1809, a garden gate in Rhode Island was left open, and a pig got in and destroyed a few plants. A quarrel between the owners of the pig and the garden grew out of it, which spread among their friends, defeated the federal candidate for the Legislature, and gave the State a Democratic Senator, by whose vote the war of 1812 with Great Britain was declared.

☞What Dr. Holland says, "Whenever any pure, true, good woman marries a man whom she loves, she gives herself to him. She belongs to him. He owns her as no other man on the face of the earth does or can." What Mrs. Livermoore says, "Whenever any pure, true, good man marries a woman whom he loves, he gives himself to her. He belongs to her. She owns him as no other woman on the face of the earth does or can." Both right.

☞An old Dutch tavern keeper had his third wife, and being asked his views of matrimony, replied, "Vell den, you see the first time I marries for love—dat vash goot; den I marries for beauty—dat vash goot too, about as good as the first; but dis time I marries for money—and dis is petter as both!" Old Cooney took a practical view of things.

AN EXPERIMENT.

Wilkins Micawber Jones is of a statistical turn of mind. He can tell you how many Smiths there are in the directory, how many Browns, Robinsons or Joneses. If you tell him the number of Smiths in a place of a given population he will tell you how many Browns ought to live there to maintain the average relative proportions of the two great families. It occurred to Jones recently that Mary is a very common name, and after careful study he hit upon an original plan for ascertaining the proportionate number of women bearing it. This plan was to station himself at an advantageous position on one of our thoroughfares, address by that name every woman who passed in an hour, and then compare the number who answered to the name with the whole number passing. Nothing could be simpler, thought Wilkins, and accordingly he began his experiment the other evening just as the theatre going tide flowed along the street. First came two demure-looking damsels, "timid and stepping fast." Jones let them get by and then called out suddenly "Mary!" but the young women only hurried a little faster, and the ingenuous Wilkins put down two marks on the right side of his tally paper. Just as he lifted his eys he saw a lady with an escort just in front of him, and hurled out "Good evening Mary!" Greatly to Jones' astonishment the gentleman, and not the lady, responded: and these are what Jones saw: [* * *]. He concluded to give up the experiment because there were too many risks about it—especially aste-risks.

☞A little girl in the infant class of a Brooklyn Sunday school, appreciated better the difference between being good from choice and necessity, than many elders. At the close of a recent session, the teacher said to her, "Beckie, my dear, you were a good little girl, to-day." "Yes'm, I could not help bein' good. I got a 'tiff neck," the youthful Beckie replied, with perfect seriousness.

☞"Dear George, how sweet and wavy that wheat is!" exclaimed a fair young lady, looking languidly from a car window, "Yes, love, how beautiful!" says dear George, more intent on insinuating his arm around a twenty-four bone corset, "how like a—a—how like a dream!" "How like oats! how like oats," retorted disgusted Granger; "them's oats, young man!"

☞A professional man not far from State street, Boston, returning from his office one day, after a substantial lunch, said complacently to his assistant, "Mr. Peetkin, the world looks different to a man when he has three inches of rum in him." "Yes," replied the junior, with a moment's hesitation, "and he looks different to the world."

☞A woman about fifty years of age walked all the way from St. Joe, Mo., to Omaha, a distance of 150 miles, in five days, last week. She was from Atlanta, Ga., going to her husband and son at North Platte. She was furnished with a pass over the Union Pacific for the balance of her journey.

☞Baron Schwartz Senborn, director, genaral of the Vienna Exposition, declares that the plans, buildings and work of our Centennial exhibition are at least six months ahead of the preparations at Vienna at the same length of time before the opening.

☞Hard currency forever—A Pennsylvania fool fooled with a pistol. Ball struck a five-cent piece in his waistcoat pocket, and took to his boots instead of his vitals. A thousand dollars in paper would not have saved him.

☞The Hudson Gazette very wittily says: "The very muddy and sloshy condition of the street for the past week, enables us to say that the new style garters with monogram clasps have not yet reached Hudson.

☞A Missouri aspirant to matrimony advertises that he will give three mules to any maiden who will wed him; which gives rise to the question, what respectable married woman would want such a four in hand?

☞A little girl, reading the "History of England" with her mother, and coming to the statement that Henry I. never laughed after the death of his son, looked up and said: "What did he do when he was tickled?"

☞A Virginia bridegroom over seven feet high is announced. The affair created considerable sensation, but it is believed she only married him to go chestnutting with.

☞Why are two ladies kissing each other an emblem of Christianity? Because they are doing unto each other as they would that men should do unto them.

☞It has been observed that we often hear of a man being in advance of his age, but we never hear of a woman being in the same predicament.

☞The boy who borrowed a dictionary returned it with the remark that it was interesting, but somehow changed the subject very often.

☞A Maryland girl who was under a tree when it was struck by lightning, says she thought some one had thrown his arms around her.

☞Mercy Consolation Smith, is Fort Wayne's handsomest girl. Mercy will no doubt be a Consolation to some fellow.

☞A Minnesota man makes the winter seem short by giving his note payable in the spring.

☞Somebody asks, Why are ladies like churches? Because there is no living without them.

☞Sailors are very unobserving men, although they are continually going to sea.

☞Jonah was a stranger among whales, and they took him in.

The Journal.

SATURDAY, DEC. 19, 1874.

Free Postage.

After January 1st, 1875, we shall be required to *prepay postage* on all copies of our paper going beyond the limits of this county. We shall not, in consequence of this law, increase our subscription rates, but to subscribers who, on or before the 31st of December, *pay all arrearages and one year in advance*, we shall send our paper, *free of postage*. To those who fail to comply with these terms we shall *add the amount of postage to their bills, or discontinue their papers, at our option.*

☞*All persons indebted to this office for subscriptions, advertising or job work are requested to make payment before Jan.* 1, 1875.

VICE PRESIDENT Wilson is now charged with having aspirations for the Presidency. He is giving dinner parties at Washington, and inviting prominent men of the Republican party to talk over the situation. Henry is a shrewd man, always on the lookout for No. 1, but he has got about as near the Presidential chair as he will get in this world.

THE police of Worcester are so vigilant that they break into the rooms of newly married couples, pull them out of bed, and drag them to the station house. An injured bridegroom, who has suffered from their barbarism, has brought suit against them, and is determined to know whether he and his wife have any rights which these men must respect.

THE postmaster-general has begun to make his decisions in regard to the new postal law. One absurd decision is that papers sent to a town where there is a letter carrier, if within the county where published, are liable to postage. Meantime a bill has been introduced to Congress repealing that section which requires prepayment of postage.

THE Supreme Court of Maine denies to women the right to hold any office under the Constitution. The Governor had appointed a number of women justices of the peace, and they had officiated in that capacity, sometimes solemnizing marriages. This decision renders illegal all their official acts. The people of Maine had better set about remodeling their Constitution the first thing they do.

WHILE most people are grumbling about hard times New York is bragging of a lively season, declaring that the mercantile business of that city is larger than it was last year. This is the season of holiday trade, which may account for the happy feeling there. There are indications, however, in many places, and in many kinds of business, of better times, which the laborer will hail with joy after more than a year of depression.

IT seems that most of the Chinese workmen who come to this country are imported through firms who let them out for a number of years, taking the larger part of their earnings. The women come in the same way, and are put to a worse use. The President wants something done to stop this, and Congress has already an eye on the subject. Our treaty stipulations with China need amending in order to prevent so gross an outrage to humanity.

THERE comes a probable clue to the missing boy, Charlie Ross, in the dying confession of Joseph Douglas, who was shot with a companion named Moseley or Moshler, while attempting to escape from a house on Long Island which they had robbed, Douglas said just before he died that he and Moseley carried off the boy and Moseley had him secreted, but he did not know where he was hidden. This may open the way to the boy's return.

POLICEMEN in Gotham seem to lead a perilous life, and one that would seem hardly desirable for any but bold men, even with the best of pay, for the record of the last ten years shows that during that time sixteen policemen have been killed while in the discharge of their duty; three hundred others were crippled for life or disabled, while on duty, and two hundred widows and orphans have been placed on the pension list. This is the dark side in the life of these men which is rarely noticed by those who criticise these guardians of the public peace when they sometimes use unnecessary severity in the duty.

A FALL in the street, a tumble from a wagon, or a slip on the ice often breaks a man's neck, or gives him fatal injuries, but a colored man named Isaac Parker, of Springfield, fell down an elevator five stories deep, on Thursday, and never had a bone broken. The ways of chance are mysterious.

☞The publisher and acting-editor of the Danbury News have had a quarrel which ended in blows, and the latter has "dissolved connection with the paper." Bailey, the editor, is on a vacation trip in Europe.

☞Sixty girls in a Berkshire silk factory sent out invitations to a dance to as many of their gentleman friends, who felt highly honored by the choice, even if it did cost them a dollar apiece.

☞Two men escaped from Tolland, Conn., jail last week, and after being absent a few hours returned, saying that they didn't know what to do if they stayed away, so they come back.

☞Ralph Day's brick stable, in Springfield, was burned Friday morning with all its contents, including five horses and six loaded tin-carts.

A SMART GIRL.—A daughter of President Clark of Amherst college, recently walked 13 miles, from Amherst to Easthampton, winning a wager made by her father.

DEFAULTED.—Nelson Alexander, bookkeeper for the Montreal & Boston air line railroad, has decamped, and he is accused of being a defaulter to the extent of some $4000.

A PEACEFUL PLACE.—The people of Seymour, Ind., are congratulated by a local paper because there has not been a fight, a row, or even a quarrel at any dance held in the place, as far as could be ascertained

MAIDENLY ENTERPRISE.—The young ladies of Rockford, Ill., have formed a "co-operative self-escorting church and party-going society," the object of which is to make the young man of the period more useless than ever.

A TRUE REWARD.—The citizens of Memphis, Tenn., have placed a monument over the grave of Mattie Stevenson, a young lady of Towando, Ill., who, while acting as nurse at Memphis, in 1873, fell a victim to the yellow fever, at that time scourging the city.

A QUEER PREDICAMENT.—The Sheriff of Cuyahoga county, Ohio, lately had the disagreeable duty to perform of conveying to the penitentiary on a three years' sentence a "repeater," whose offense consisted in having voted three times for the very official who was conducting him to prison.

A GENEROUS OFFER.—The editor of a country journal in New York thus appeals to the better nature of his delinquent subscribers: "To all those who are in arrears one year or more, who will come forward and pay up, we will give them a first class obituary notice gratis, in case it kills them."

POSTAL CARDS.—Prof. Emanuel Herman of Vienna first introduced postal cards. They were used in England, Germany and Switzerland in 1870, in Belgium and Denmark in 1871, and in Norway, Russia and the United States in 1872-3. In some foreign countries a card is attached on which an answer may be returned.

MURDER AND SUICIDE.—Sunday afternoon a man named William H. Jones, residing in Somerville, murdered a friend of his named Mrs. Barry, wife of Octavious R. Barry, and then commited suicide. Both parties were married and leave families. No cause is known for the act as the families were on the best of terms with each other.

TOTALLY DESTROYED.—The state reform school buildings at Waterbury, Vt., were totally destroyed by fire on Saturday last. A leakage of gas, which caught fire, was the cause. Loss $48,000, on which there is an insurance of $24,000. At the breaking out of the fire, all of the 163 boys confined there were placed upon their honor, and not one attempted to escape.

TERRIBLE ACCIDENT.—Five children of John Dotterick, living near Preakness, N. J., Sunday, ventured upon the thin ice of a small pond there with a sled. The ice gave way under their weight in the centre of the pond, and they were all drowned in sight of their mother, who was watching their play from their home. Four were girls, 16, 15, 13 and 8 years, and a boy of 6 years, all remarkably healthy, blooming children.

GREAT FIRE IN BOSTON.—An incendiary fire broke out on Plympton street, Boston Monday, just before midnight, and destroyed over half a million dollars' worth of property before it was subdued at noon on Tuesday. It originated in a fine five story building and then spread into the wooden buildings and lumber yards on Wareham street, spreading until it reached the water. The entire fire department was called out and labored hard. Over 500 persons were thrown out of employment by the disaster.

MURDER IN SPRINGFIELD.—A woman of bad reputation, named Miranda Martin, was murdered in Springfield last week. Her dead body was found on Friday in a house on Osgood street, and she was last seen alive on the Monday before. She was lying on the floor, her head wrapped in a breakfast shawl, and decomposition had already set in. Mrs. Martin was 45 years of age and a notorious character. The cause of her death is supposed to have been a blow on the temple, causing a fracture of the skull. There is as yet no clue to the murderer.

HAMPDEN COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.—The annual meeting of this society was held at Springfield, Wednesday, when the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year:—President, William Pynchon, Springfield; vice presidents, E D Allen, Agawam, G C Rowley, Chester, G M Stearns, Chicopee, E H Seymour, Granville, John S McElwain, Holyoke, Alvah Colton, Jr., Longmeadow, Silas Billings, Ludlow, William N Flynt, Monson, T W Pomeroy, Montgomery, James S Loomis, Palmer, J W Gibbs, Russell, J N Fowler, Southwick, F E Clark, Wilbraham, Hinsdale Smith, Springfield, F. T. Moore, Tolland, Norman T Leonard, Westfield, and Talcott A Rogers, West Springfield; directors for three years, William Elliot, Springfield, Henry S Hyde, Springfield, Reuben Brooks, West Springfield; treasurer, James E Russell, Springfield; secretary, J N Bagg, West Springfield. The retiring president, Mr. Leonard, was tendered a vote of thanks, and briefly responded.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

....How's your cold?

....Don't forget your friends next Friday.

....The mercury sank below zero on Tuesday.

....The post-office will be open as usual Christmas day.

....The Antique hall dance was well attended Friday evening.

....Presiding Elder George M. Whitaker visits Palmer in February.

....E. J. Wood has a new advertisement for the Holidays in another column.

....The Bondville Methodists will have their Christmas tree this year as usual.

....The annual meeting of the Palmer Savings Bank will be held on the first Monday in January.

....The restaurant and dining rooms in Commercial block have been closed for financial reasons.

....The lodge of I. O. G. T. will probably be the only society in this village to celebrate Christmas this year.

....The Good Templars are abounding in literary enthusiasm this winter and propose another literary feast soon.

....John Gaffney, a wood-sawyer on the N. L. N. R. R. had three fingers cut off by a circular saw, Monday morning.

....Rev. Mr. Palmer of Chicopee will preach at the Cong. church to-morrow in exchange with Rev. Mr. Fullerton.

....The Adventists will hold a meeting at McGilvray Hall, to-morrow. Subject for evening service, "The Devil's Veil," with preaching by H. H. Tucker.

....The regular train down from Amherst Wednesday afternoon, and an extra following it, were crowded with college boys returning home for the holidays.

....Episcopal services at District Court Room to morrow, at the usual hours, and possibly evening service also, Rev. Dr. Burgess of Christ church, Springfield, officiating.

....We have received several subscriptions to the elegant Aldine, to be used as Christmas or New Year gifts, and no more appropriate present can be made for the holidays.

....Quite a revival of religious interest is being felt in this village, and union meetings have been held in the vestries of the Baptist and Cong. churches alternately. A praying band from Springfield have aided toward the interest of some of the meetings.

....The next sociable of the ladies society of the second Cong. church will meet with Mrs. J. K. Knox on the Thorndike road, next Wednesday afternoon and evening, and with favorable weather and a good moon, the house will undoubtedly be well filled.

....The latest novelty in town is an artist in fancy "soap work," who has decorated the windows of some of our enterprising merchants with specimens of his skill, and as an advertisement to attract the attention of the crowds who are expected in town during holiday week.

....The Superior Court, which closed at Springfield on Thursday, sentenced the following persons from this vicinity, as follows: Thomas Manning of Palmer, larceny of watches and jewelry, two years in state prison, first day solitary; William Smith of Palmer, larceny of a horse and wagon, two years and six months in state prison.

....The case of Aaron Felton of Wales, accused of manslaughter for killing William Soule, came before the superior court at Springfield on Wednesday. Felton was allowed to plead guilty to assault and battery. C. L. Gardner, the coroner, testified that in his opinion Felton really killed Soule, although he had some doubt, and that Felton thought he was acting in self defense. A petition numerously signed by citizens of Wales, showed that they thought a simple fine would be an ample penalty for the offense. Aaron Soule, a son of the deceased, gave similar testimony, and the court, taking all these facts into consideration, imposed a fine of $100 as full penalty, which being paid, Felton is again a free man, and the public generally seem to be well satisfied with this ending of the case.

....The conference of churches in this village on Wednesday, which met with the second Cong. society, was very fully attended and a great degree of enthusiasm and interest was manifested in the discussions, which were especially appropriate at the present time. The theme of discussion in the morning was "comity and fellowship among the churches as a help to conversion and Christian growth." In the afternoon the similar topic, "Are there any practical means by which Christians can be massed to secure a general revival of religion throughout this vicinity the coming winter," was discussed with much spirit. A generous collation was served at noon in the vestry, by the ladies for the benfit of the visitors from the eleven churches represented. Another conference will be held in two weeks, with the Cong. church in Monson.

BELCHERTOWN.

Deputy George Robinson of Palmer installed the officers of Vernon Lodge of Masons at Belchertown Wednesday evening. The exercises were followed by a collation of which the brethren with their ladies and invited guests partook. The following were the officers installed:—W. E. Bridgman, W. M.; J. M. Towne, S. W.; W. H. Hawks, J. W.; Calvin Bridgman, treasurer; E. R. Bridgman, secretary; W. H. Bridgman, S. D.; W. S. Chamberlain, J. D.; Charles Kibbe, S. S.; Eugene Bridgman, J. S.; Samuel Warren, chaplain; Dexter Winter, O.; George M. Abbey, tyler; W. F. Carter, M..

WARREN.

The reception given to Mr. Charles S. Lincoln and bride, by Mr. and Mrs. William Lincoln, at their residence in Warren, Wednesday evening, was a highly enjoyable occasion and one not soon to be forgotten by those present. The guests numbered about 100, and included a large company of young people, mostly residents of Warren. No pains were spared to render the evening's entertainment all that could be desired, socially and otherwise, not to mention the "feast of good things" in great variety provided for the physical wants of their guests.

MONSON.

Representative Green and wife are boarding at the Cushman House.

Squier and Aldrich have the South Monson road almost two-thirds completed.

Geo. E. Grant was appointed guardian of B. W. Grant at the last term of the Probate Court.

Beckwith & Son are industriously at work on Flynt street, and will soon have a passable highway.

The street lamp fever still rages, and Chas. Hammond and C. B. Jones are threatening to light up.

The ladies of the Cong church and society will hold a sociable at their parlors on the evening of the 23d.

The St. Patrick Mutual Relief Society will give a grand ball on New Year's eve, at Green's hall. E. F. Wakefield, prompter.

Gen. Kilpatrick's lecture was fully attended and heartily enjoyed by as full a house as Green's Hall ever had.

Austin King is putting in the foundation for a new house on the corner of South Main street and the road leading to Wales.

W. N. Flynt & Co. are pushing their railroad rapidly, and if the present pleasant weather holds they will have it completed by the first of February.

The M. E. church people are making great calculations for a highly enjoyable time on Christmas eve, and those who have presents to make will have an opportunity to adorn the Christmas tree. N.

SOUTH WILBRAHAM.

Shaw's negro minstrels sang to a thin house here Monday evening. Those who heard them said "it was good."

The union singing school, which has been the talk for weeks, has resulted in the union committee trying candidates as in settling ministers, and Frank Fairbanks is the successful candidate. He has commenced his term.

The New London Northern R. R. company sent their surveyor to look for a route from Stafford Springs to Springfield through this village for a new road. He reported the route through "Frog Hollow" and "Diamond Ledge" quite feasible, and thought a survey would be commenced immediately.

An overseer in the late Ravine mill is said to be under a cloud by being too easy with some of the weavers. It is not always best to be partial, especially with the ladies. Cloth in the mill can be measured by the yard; there are some things which cannot be measured, even by the overseer.

Two workmen in the Lacowsic mill had a set-to a day or two since in front of the mill. One attempted to swallow the other, but Sweeney had too many prongs to be swallowed alive. The result was, after ten minutes' struggle he was only bruised and mangled a little. An English lady parted them in presence of the crowd.

Darius Beebe, Jr., left his horse untied in the street the other day, to call for a moment. Just that moment the horse concluded to go home, and left somewhat unceremoniously, crossing the plank walk around the Cong. church, jostling the wagon considerably and afterwards capsizing it. Strange as it may seem, very little damage was done to a valuable horse, wagon and harness.

Edward H. Himes, aged 19 years, son of Amos Himes, died on Saturday last, after a severe sickness of only one week. His disease was typhoid fever. He was one of the best young men in town, and did as fair for a long life as any one. He was a subject of the revival in this town a few weeks since. The funeral was attended Monday at the Methodist church. S. W.

WARE AND VICINITY.

....The Nathaniel Clark homestead on Water Street has been sold to John Boyle for $2000.

....Rev. S. J. Austin, of Warren, exchanged with Rev. Mr. Gay of West Warren last Sabbath.

....Joseph Bonin has opened a French school (of the grammar grade) in Guild's block, to be held three evenings per week.

....Miss Clara M. Packard has been appointed assistant teacher of the evening school in place of Miss Billings, resigned.

....The Young Ladies' Charitable Society met for work at the residence of Calvin Hitchcock, Wednesday afternoon, with a social gathering in the evening.

....Rev. G. H. DeBevoise, of North Brookfield, an ever welcome preacher in Ware, delivered two excellent discourses at the East Cong. church last Sabbath, in exchange with the pastor.

....The quarterly meeting of the Woman's Board of Missions was held at the Chapel, Thursday afternoon, with interesting addresses by Mrs. Mellen of South Africa, and Mrs. H. J. Bruce of this place.

....The many friends of Henry Hendrick and family in Ware will regret to learn that their house in Willimantic, Conn., was entered by burglars, Monday night, and robbed of $200 worth of silver-ware and clothing.

....An idiotic young man, named Frank Davis, ran away from the town farm, Thursday night of last week, and has not been heard from since. It is thought that he went in the direction of Pelham or Shutesbury.

....An effort is being made to raise the necessary funds by subscription for the support of our night police for the coming year. The business men of the village have heretofore contributed about $1100 per annum for this object.

....If those who attend the evening school on High street would be a little less noisy and boisterous in their behavior both before and after the session of school, it would be a matter of satisfaction to those residing in the vicinity of the school house, and we doubt not to many others not living in that neighborhood.

....Our thanks are due to James Vick, Rochester, N. Y., for the January number of his "Floral Guide," which contains over 100 pages, descriptive of more than 500 of our best flowers and vegetables, with directions for culture, colored plate, &c. The most useful and elegant work of the kind in world. Only 25 cents for the year. Address as above.

....The types made strange work with our locals last week, but "mistakes will happen in the best regulated families." Our readers were doubtless amused to read of "Rev. *John* Perkins" as preaching the dedication sermon at Gilbertville, and of "Simeon *Cunningham*" as one of our merchants, to say nothing of sundry other errors of less importance, that crept into the local columns unawares.

....The money recently forwarded from this place, to aid the Nebraska sufferers in the vicinity of Creighton, has been gratefully acknowledged through private letters from Mrs. Charles F. Pierce to her friends in Ware. She reports that "light is beginning to dawn upon them," through the assistance of kind friends at the East, and expresses sincere gratitude for all favors shown her own family, and those of her neighbors who have been in circumstances of far greater want.

....The deliberations of the Temperance Reform Club, Monday evening, were well attended and of usual interest. The exercises consisted of the reading of the society paper by Gertrude P. Blood, declamations by John F. Robinson and Fred. W. Gage, interspersed with excellent singing by the quartette under Mr. Ercanbrack's direction, and also some miscellaneous speaking by the members. Several new names were enrolled upon the pledge—an encouraging feature of the work.

....So far as we are able to learn, Christmas will be observed about as usual by the several religious societies. The Episcopal Unitarian, and East Cong'l Sunday Schools have their Christmas trees on Thursday evening, that at Ware Center, Friday night, and the Methodist S. S. do not purpose to have any gathering this year, according to a recent vote of the school. At both Cong'l schools there will be a concert exercise in addition to the distribution of presents. In some of the churches religious services will also be held on Friday, appropriate to the day.

....The opening lecture of the People's Course was delivered to a fair-sized audience at the Unitarian church Tuesday evening, by Wm. H. Baldwin, Esq., of Boston. His subject, as already announced, was "America's Definition of Nobility." The speaker's address was especially intended for young men, and contained a great deal of common sense and sound advice that all would do well to heed. The next lecture of the course will be given on Wednesday evening, 30th inst., by Rev. W. H. Cudworth of East Boston. Subject, "Up Hill and Down." In addition to the lecturers already named in the Standard, the following have been engaged: Rev. A. D. Mayo of Springfield, Dr. George B. Loring and Rev. Dr. Perkins.

....An alarm of fire was sounded about half past one, Monday morning, calling together a large number of citizens to the scene of the conflagration, which proved to be a barn on Bank street, owned by Ozias B. Owen, and occupied by Amos D. Bond, a dry goods peddler, whose wagon was in the barn at the time and contained a large quantity of goods. The building was soon destroyed with all its contents, and but for the prompt action of individuals with pails of water, the barn of Rev. Wm. Moran, adjoining, would have met a similar fate. As it was it received a severe scorching, to the value of $25 or more, perhaps. Owen's insurance was $400; Bond's $1,700; including $1,400 on stock of goods. Several pieces of dry goods were found in the yard, which indicates that a robbery was committed, and the fire set to cover up the deeds.

....The Galena (Ill.) Gazette, has the following obituary notice of Mrs. Phila E. Barrows, who died in that city on the 8th inst., at the advanced age of 86 years and 7 months. She was a native of Ware, and will doubtless be remembered by many of the older inhabitants:—"This venerable lady came to Galena from Connecticut, about thirty-five years ago, and has resided here with her son, Daniel A. Barrows, ever since. She possessed great energy of character, and in her was well represented the matronly element of the mothers of New England, who were born nearly a century ago. She had decision, courage and the ambition of true womanhood to live to some purpose, in herself and in her children. Of late years, she has been an invalid, but her days were lengthened by the comforts that age required, till her eighty-seventh year of life, when she departed, crowned with the love and respect of all who knew her."

☞Chapin & Barber's large silk factory at Warehouse point, Hartford county, Ct., was destroyed by fire Tuesday evening; loss probably over half a million.

☞Providence retail dealers in all lines say that the holiday trade bids fair to be very large. Some houses report business far beyond that of last year.

☞The recount of votes for Common Councilmen in Lowell elects A. A. Haggett, and defeats Benjamin C. Dean, Gov. Talbot's private secretary.

☞Mr. Jilson, the Independent candidate for mayor, was elected, at the Worcester city election on Tuesday, over the citizen's candidate.

☞The debt of Worcester is $2,941,227.31, which is an increase of $43,532.69 during the current year.

☞Some desperate thief broke into the office of the Boston Herald Sunday morning, and divested it of everything worth stealing but the scissors, but as an old hat was all he got, the office is probably safe from any further visits from his class.

☞The Louisville Courier thinks some of the Southern planters are going too far with their new pet theory of small farms. An Alabama nabob has cut his plantation into patches, not one of which is bigger than Rhode Island.

☞A drunken man named Joseph B. Haycroft, hailing from West Newton, refused to pay his fare on the Boston and Albany Railway last Friday night, and it cost him about $40 the next day to pay for his "fun."

☞The Indians of Harrison river, British Columbia, have built a large Roman Catholic church. The plans were prepared by the priest and all the rest of the work was done by the aborigines.

☞Humbolt county, Cal., feels very comfortable and serene over its redwood timber supply, which, according to estimates, is large enough to employ all the mill capacity for 11,745 years.

☞A Milwaukee woman's bonnet costs, upon an average, about fifteen dollars, but she has the bill made out for thirty or forty dollars, in order to show it to the woman next door.

☞A Worcester young lady walked about the streets, Monday, arrayed in a rubber suit and with nothing on her head but a bit of lace over her face.

☞There was a marriage in Kennebunkport, Me., last week, the parties to which were respectively eighty-three and forty-three years of age.

☞And now a Scotchman has dared to sell two of Bruce's bones for the paltry sum of £5. What does the spirit of Douglas think of that?.

☞Samuel E. Bailey, of Worcester, but for many years a well-known Springfield jeweler, died at Worcester on Saturday, of pleurisy, aged 64.

☞The Republic, a New York daily is dead, after a brief and unprofitable existence.

☞A fellow in New York bit off a companion's ear during a fight and has been sentenced to 15 years' labor in the State Prison.

☞Dr. Holloway, the great London pill man, is about to erect a university for women, at an expense of £150,000. He is old and childless.

☞Five women were elected on the school committee at Boston's late election.

CAUTION to purchasers of the Peruvian Syrup (a protected solution of the protoxide of iron.—Beware of being deceived by any of the preparations of Peruvian Bark, or Bark and Iron, which may be offered to you. Every bottle of genuine has Peruvian Syrup (not Peruvian Bark) blown in the glass. Examine the bottle before purchasing.

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You are hereby cited to appear at a probate court to be holden at Springfield, in said county on the first Tuesday of January next at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed.
And said executor is ordered to serve this citation by publishing the same once a week, in the Palmer Journal, a newspaper printed at Palmer, three weeks successively, the last publication to be two days, at least, before said court.
Witness, William S. Shurtleff, Esquire, judge of said court, this fifteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.
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Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, has been presented to said court for probate, by Orre Parker, who prays that letters of administration, with the will annexed, may be issued to him, the executrix named in said will having declined said trust.
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Springfield, on the first Tuesday of January next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, against the same.
And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once a week, for three successive weeks, in the newspaper called the Palmer Journal, printed at Palmer, the last publication to be two days at least before said court.
Witness, William S. Shurtleff, Esquire, Judge of said court, this tenth day of December, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.
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Ware, Dec., 9, 1874. 4w41

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OLD LADIES.—Yes, they are beautiful. Not with the beauty of youth, perhaps; the bloom may be gone; the rounded cheek and the swelling throat all have passed away; but there remains beauty that can be felt—the soul shinning through the eyes, the large heart and benevolent impulse, taking in all within its reach. A kind word to one, a look of love and sympathy for one another; for they have lived long enough to suffer, and they believe in the fellowship of suffering. The storms and tempests have gone over all the sharp points in their character and rounded them down, so that now they only ripple the surface. The eyes may not be so bright for *one*, into their warm hearts the sorrows of many, and send out such a ray of comfort and hope into mourning hearts. have followed the loved ones almost to the gates of the "Beautiful City" so often that their faces have caught some of the radiance reflected on them. Can anything be more lovely than a beautiful life? And the longer, the more grace, the more patience. Then let none regret that they are growing old. If the life is holy, it will shine through the plainest face; the heart never grows old. And when these houses of clay begin to totter and crumble away, let us come to the upper chamber nearest heaven, and look out upon the shining city and catch the glory.

ADVICE TO CHURCH-GOERS.—After you get fairly seated in the pew, before the services have begun, pick your teeth, look around, stare at everybody.

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Take out your watch often, so that those near you will understand that you are on time.

Always wear squeaky boots, or very thick ones, and get as near the pulpit as you can.

When you make your exit, hurry; act as though you were hungry; say in a distinct tinct tone to everybody you know. "How are you?"

☞An engineer on the Union Pacific railroad was suddenly taken seriously ill, but, rather than shrink from duty, he increased the speed of the engine to 40 miles an hour, and reached Cheyenne ahead of time. As the monster engine came to a halt, and the engineer who was to relieve him stepped into the cab he said faintly: "Take the engine; I'm ready to die now!" and in five seconds he was a corpse.

☞Six years ago a Portland, Maine, girl was married in a $1,200 dress. She is now a resident of St. Clair County, Ill., and at last accounts gained a living for her three children and a drunken husband by digging potatoes.

☞Any girl may raise a moustache by shaving her upper lip every day for about a month. A St. Louis girl has demonstrated this fact, and now wishes she hadn't.

☞Rev. Prof. Whiffles, of Hillsdale, Mich., was moved to embrace an aged deacon's pretty wife. The wife rather liked it, after she became used to it, and trouble ensued.

☞"Susan, how in the world did you ever marry that brute?" "Oh, I don't know, Jane. I used to pick lint off his coat collar, and he fell in love with me."

☞Another unprofitable lecture course is reported. The members of the Calais Lecture Association will have to be assessed to make up a deficit of $108.

☞Charlotte Cushman cannot say she was ever really in love. We never did think Charlotte was the handsomest woman in the world

☞No man can read about the recent burglaries without a determination to have his wife sleep on the front side of the bed.

☞Cincinnati boasts of the near completion of a church spire 320 feet high, said to be the tallest and finest in the country.

☞Powers, the sculptor, has nearly completed his bust of Whittier, and will send it to Boston from Rome in January.

☞Peter II., of Brazil, is said to be the richest monarch in the world, and there are many who would like to be Peter two.

☞An Augusta man lately refused to celebrate his silver wedding on the ground that he was "not reduced to beggary."

☞Butter is served in bottles on hotel tables in Cuba. North American guests do not ask for butter more than once.

☞The Cardiff giant, after being housed at Fitchburg for two years, is to be taken to Europe at an early day.

☞Twenty thousand dollars was recently paid for a seat in the San Francisco Board of Brokers.

☞Low backed dresses, cut bias on the spine, are fashionable for party wear.

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JAMES G. ALLEN,
Justice of said Court.

A copy. Attest: JAMES G. ALLEN,
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S. S. TAFT, Plaintiff's Atty. 3w40

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Christmas Morn.

Christmas morn! what shouts of pleasure
Usher in the dawning light;
What a store of hidden treasure
Bursts upon the raptured sight.
All the air pulsates with gladness;
Children's voices, full of glee,
Ring out joyful; care and sadness
From each happy hearth-stone flee.

Earth, with grateful exultation,
Greets this blest and hallowed day,
And throughout this Christian nation
Earnest men rejoice and pray.
Ah! what memories, solemn, tender,
Cluster round the Savior's birth!
Ah! what visions, full of splendor,
Lift our thoughts away from earth!

Love and Faith, serenely smiling,
Beckon us from distant skies,
Heavenward our souls beguiling
Where the angel's anthems rise.
Hopes divine our pathway brighten,
Scatter seeds of sin and woe,
Every heavy burden lighten,
Sweet content and peace bestow.

Let us, then, with merry voices,
Celebrate this blessed day;
Nature, too, with us rejoices,
All the world is bright and gay.
And the angel choirs are singing
Far beyond our mortal ken,
While the Christmas chimes are ringing,
"Peace on earth, good will to men."

MAY AND NOVEMBER.

"I never did see such a sight in all my life," quoth Mrs. Narley, elevating her hands in the air. "Dust on them beautiful velvet carpets; glass in the conservatory windows all broken; chickens scratching up all the geraniums on the front lawn, and the lazy servants dawdling their precious time, while poor dear Mr. Avenel and Harry don't know what's going on than if they were boarders. Says I: "Dear heart alive, Mr. Avenel, this is enough to make your poor wife turn in the grave." Says he—you know his pleasant way—"Well I know it isn't just right, Mrs. Narley, but what can I do?" And I answered, says I, "get a house-keeper." Says he, "Where?" Says I, "Advertise." "Says he, "Mrs. Narley, you've hit the nail on the head. I'll advertise to-morrow." And that's how that paragraph happened to be in the paper.

Here Mrs. Narley stopped to catch breath and noded emphatically at her auditor, a pale woman dressed in deep mourning, with the unbecoming frame work of a widow's cap around her face.

"And do you think I would suit the gentleman?" the latter asked timidly.

"You can but try," was Mrs. Narley's encouraging response. "Mr. Avenel's as easy a lamb, and not one o'them is everlastingly checking of bills and counting nickle pennies, and Harry's dreadful pleasant tempered. Any way, if I was you, Mrs. Hawkhurst, I'd go up and see."

And Mrs. Hawkhurst, holding her pretty little daughter by the hand, went up accordingly to the handsome house on the hill.

There she found Mr. Avenel in a state of temporary siege, for others beside herself had seen the advertisement and made haste to answer it. There were fat women and lean, tall women and short, Scotch women and German, smiling, slovenly women and trim, sharp-visaged women; women who seen better days, and women who evidently hadn't.

Mrs. Hawkhurst looked around somewhat discouraged by the formidable array of arrivals.

"There's no hope for me," she thought despairingly, and was just about to turn away with timid Juliet clinging to her hand, when Harry Avenel advanced.

"Do you wish to see my uncle, ma'am?" he asked courteously.

"I—I called about the housekeeper's situation," meekly murmured the widow.

And Harry showed her in at once.

The fat and the tall, the German and the Scotch, the sour and the sweet went. Avenel decided to engage Mrs. Hawkhurst as his housekeeper, with permission to keep Juliet with her.

"She is all I have, sir," said the housekeeper apologetically, "and she will try to be useful about the house.

"How old is she?" asked Mr. Avenel.

"Fifteen, sir."

"Well, let her stay," said the widower good humoredly. "She'll eat no more than a chicken, and I dare say she can do a great many odd things about the place."

Mrs. Hawkhurst proved herself an executive officer of the greatest ability. Gradually the "chaos and night" of Avenel Place was reduced to system and order. The wheels of housekeeping revolved so softly that no one knew they moved, yet these were the results. You scarce ever see the housekeeper glide about the halls, yet the servants declared her omnipresent. Mr. Avenel found himself actually the inhabitant of a home once more as the years slowly passed away. He was sitting on the piazza one day, smoking his cigar, and watching the graceful movements of Juliet Hawkhurst, as she was planting trailing vines in a marble vase that occupied the center of the lawn, when Mrs. Narley came out.

"A nice evening, sir," said Mrs. Narley. "Oh, there she is!"

"Who?"

"Why, that foolish child Juliet," answered the old lady sharply. "I hadn't no patience with her, that I ha'nt."

"What has she been doing now?" asked the widower, with an amused face.

"Why she's refused Ben Nichols' eldest son, as likely and beforehanded a young fellow as there is in the country."

Mr. Avenel started.

"Ben Nichols! Why, Mrs. Narley, she is only a child!"

"She's seventeen next week," noded Mrs. Narley, "and high time she thought of settling."

Mr. Avenel looked across to where Juliet stood in her pink gingham dress, the soft summer winds stirring her curls, and her cheeks as softly tinted as the standard rose on the lawn. Seventeen. Was it possible that little Juliet Hawkhurst had grown to be seventeen years old? O, relentless Time that would not stand still! O, cruel years that went by and stole the fair brightness of childhood away! So Ben Nichols had actually asked Juliet Hawkhurst to be his wife!

"I wish you and Harry'd talk serious to her 'bout it," went on Mrs. Narley. "Taint likely she'll hev any more such chances as that."

"No; to be sure not," said Avenel, abstractedly.

"And o' course she oughter think it over well," added Mrs. Narley.

"O, certainly—to be sure!"

When Harry Avenel came home from the city that evening he found his uncle in a brown study.

"Harry," quoth the widower.

"Yes, uncle."

"I've been thinking—"

"So I should conclude, sir, from the H-shaped wrinkle between your brows," laughed the young merchant. "Well, and what has been the topic of your meditations, Uncle Joe?"

"Why, I was thinking what would become of us if Mrs. Hawkhurst were to take it into her head to leave us."

Harry opened wide his merry hazel eyes at the idea.

"What makes you think of such a thing, sir?" he asked.

"Oh, I don't know. She has a good place here; but one couldn't expect her to be contented with a housekeeper's situation always, Harry."

"No; to be sure not."

"She has become very essential to our domestic happiness, Harry," went on Mr. Avenel.

"Yes—I grant you that, Uncle Joe."

"And I really don't know how we could manage to live without her."

"Raise her salary, Uncle," suggested Harry.

"No; I hardly think it would answer my purpose. But, Harry—"

"Well, Uncle?"

Mr. Avenel looked slightly sheepish.

"Can't you imagine any other way of keeping her here?" he asked.

Harry stared at his uncle. Mr. Avenel felt disposed to give him a hearty shake for his stupidity.

"Oh," cried the young man with a sudden dawning of lucidity over the darkness of his brain. "You don't mean matrimony, uncle?"

"Yes, I do!" quoth Mr. Avenel, stoutly. "Would you object, Harry?"

"I, uncle?"

"Because you are the only person interested beside myself—and her."

"My greatest interest, uncle, is to see you happy," the young man answered, wringing the elder's hand. "And, if I, too, should conclude to marry at no very distant day—"

"Why, then," cried Mr. Avenel, gaily, "we can all live together, just as we do now, and be the happiest family in the world."

And he went into the house, whistling as he went, "John Anderson, my Jo, John," as blithely as a boy of sixteen.

Juliet Hawkhurst was standing by the little side garden gate that evening, thoughtfully watching, over her right shoulder, of course, the slender silver crescent of the moon. Juliet had certainly blossomed into a perfect little rose of a maiden, during the years she had been an inmate of Avenel Place. She was fair-haired and rosy, with long eyelashes, deep full eyes full of shadowy purple gleams, and a complexion like rose-colored satin; and, moreover, there was in her every movement a self-possessed grace and dignity of mien that was inexpressibly charming. Juliet Hawkhurst had been born a lady, but untoward fate had made a housekeeper's daughter of her.

As she stood there, leaning over the iron rail of the gate, a footstep sounded behind her.

"Juliet!"

She turned with a little rose blush and a smile she would fain have concealed, and Harry Avenel came up and stood close beside her.

"Little elf, you thought you had hidden away from me, but you see I have contrived to find you out even here! What makes you blush and look so confused?"

"Do I?" And Juliet fixed her gaze very steadfastly on the green turf at her feet, where a single yellow dandelion was closing its eye of tawny gold for the night.

"Listen!" cried Harry triumphantly. "I've got a piece of news for you."

"What is it!"

"What should you think of a stepfather, eh, little one?"

Juliet looked up this time in real and genuine astonishment.

"A stepfather, Harry?"

"My uncle has confided to me this evening that he thinks of marrying, Juliet, and from all I can gather, the bride is none other than your mother. So when we are married there will be a nice little family circle of us, eh?"

And the audacious young man belted her slender waist with his arm, and ventured to draw her a little closer to him.

"Oh, but Harry, you are all wrong," cried Juliet, crimsoning and smiling like a June flower. "I—I meant to tell you of it, but somehow the words would not come to my lips. Your uncle told me also that he had concluded to marry again, and—he asked me to be his wife."

"The mischief—he did," cried Harry, starting back as if some one had struck him a blow. "You! Why, Juliet, you are young enough to be his daughter!"

"Perhaps I am," said Juliet meekly.

"And what did you tell him? You accepted him, of course? He is rich and I'm poor, and all the girls like gold."

"Harry!"

"Tell me quickly, Juliet," he cried, almost passionately. "Don't keep me longer in suspense."

"I told him," Juliet answered, innocently, "that I had already promised to marry you."

"My little dove!" and Harry Avenel's dark face brightened into sunshine once again. "And you were right, for May and November never yet were happily mated. My uncle is an old fool; and yet I can't blame him, Juliet, when I look at your sweet face."

The countenance of Mr. Avenel was slightly confused when he met his nephew at the breakfast table the next morning, but further than that there was no sign of the discomfiture he had undergone. He gave Juliet an exquisite set of wedding pearls when she was married, and congratulated Harry after a very cordial fashion. But he never proposed to Mrs. Hawkhurst, and as she never expected anything of the sort, no harm was done.

And everything goes on at Avenel Place just precisely as it ought to do. Mr. Avenel keeps his housekeeper, and Harry has gained a wife.

☞A Milwaukee man pays three cents for the blood of each hog slaughtered by a prominent firm there, granulates it, and sells it as a fertilizer. This granulated blood resembles gunpowder, being almost black, and is in fine grains.

WHAT A WOMAN CAN DO.

All through life, from youth to old age, society is forming the grooves and channels through which the loves of women must be moulded to run whether they will or no. The last generation has witnessed a wonderful change in the development of the capacities in the sphere of woman. In the early commencement of the last decade, very little was done by the gentler sex outside of their domestic cares and duties. Now, hardly one can be found who is willing to do the ordinary duties of her household affair. Bridget and Biddy are the ones who rule supreme over the destinies of the kitchen, while the force of circumstances have driven out into the world our young women, and middle-aged, to find new avenues for remunerative employment, and now they are to be found in our counting-rooms and stores, and in almost every branch of trade and industry. Well may the young men look with alarm on their invaded rights and privileges, when the women are to be found like swarms of locusts filling situations and places which the men had supposed were guaranteed to themselves forever. But time and circumstances change everything. The rocks and the hills wear away by the foot-prints of time, and we are on the track of ages, the wheels of time hurrying us on to our destination. In many parts of the old world women do the labor of the field, and take upon themselves the outside cares and burdens of life, while men live in ease and eat the bread of idleness. But here in this enlightened nineteenth century we look upon them in a different light. We have known women who were born to higher and nobler purposes than spending their lives in drudgery in the kitchen.

The memory of one who has struggled through trials, temptations and misfortunes is still fresh in our mind, and a relation here may serve to give to the weak and the wavering, strength to guide their feet over the slippery paths of life. Annie Selfridge, the subject of our sketch, was born and bred to the age of womanhood in an interior town in New Hampshire. The only ambition her mother seemed to possess was, like many others of the present day, to educate her daughter to get married. This all-important point once gained, the cares and responsibilities were shifted from her shoulder to that of her husband. Annie, young as she was, was fully prepared to fill the station of wife and mother, and her feelings often revolted at the thought of spending her life as a drudge in the kitchen of a poor man. Goldsmith Maid was never fitted for the plow. She was too high mettled for the drudgery of the farm, so in time she found her sphere on the track, and she filled the world with admiration and wonder. So we often find it with women, until they find their proper places in life. Annie fretted and chafed under the burdens imposed upon her, she felt that her life was wasting away to no purpose; her soul was constantly hungering and thirsting after that which lay beyond her reach. So one day, to the surprise of her husband and friends, she turned her back on her home,—the home where she had seen nothing but sorrow and sadness, the home where she had wasted so many years of her young life. But this was the furnace she was called to pass through, this was the chastening rod which was to arouse her noble nature into action—

"There is a divinity that shapes our ends
Rough hew them as we will."

Her first step had been taken—her bark was cast loose on the great ocean of life, not knowing into what port the waves or the winds might carry her. It was at this point we chanced to fall in with her. It was then we found her drifting with the tide, with neither compass nor rudder. It was then we lent her a helping hand to guide her on her way, and to keep her from drifting on the breakers that were threatening her on every hand.

To qualify herself in the art of book-keeping was her first step. Once fairly under weigh she found herself with many leisure hours on her hands, which led her to the study of the French language. This was her second step, and this aroused all those brilliant ideas of the brain which, till then, had never been brought into action. The long, slow years of the past had eaten into her life, but she had made no sign. Some scenes were burnt into her heart so deeply that she thought not even the river of death could wash them away. But neither the world nor her friends knew her as anything but a haughty, silent woman.

The shadows of Vassar College stood before her in all their imposing grandeurs. Within those close walls she knew that ample provisions had been made for those who, like her, were striving for knowledge, and yet felt the hand of poverty pressing pressing hard upon them. Vassar College was the bright star in the west to which her ambitious next soared, and with her a resolve once taken no power could change. Her purpose was to graduate from that institution of learning. Her rejected husband and his friends threw obstacles in her way, but she took no notice of them, and year after year she struggled on, storing her mind with knowledge, and building up for herself a reputation that will live long after she shall have passed away from earth. Time after time the change in the little purse would all run out, and then she would strike out into the world to make up a needed supply. One winter she spent as housekeeper in the largest hotel in Washington, at a large salary. She was never idle for a moment—she was either filling her head with learning or her purse with gold.

Last June she graduated with all the honors of the institution, and returned to her native State to spend a few weeks. While there an application was made at the college for a lady who was competent to fill the post of lady principal at a large and flourishing seminary in the same town. She was the one selected, and to-day is filling that situation to the satisfaction of all.

Has she not nobly won the plaudits of her admiring friends? LORENZO.

☞"You are a nuisance; I'll commit you," said an offended judge to a noisy person in court. "You have no right to commit a nuisance," said the offender.

☞A colored girl at New York set fire to her employer's house because his son spit in her face.

Out of the Window.

Out of the window she leaned, and laughed,
A girl's laugh, idle and foolish and sweet;
Foolish and idle, it dropped like a call,
Into the crowded, noisy street.

Up he glanced at the glancing face,
Who had caught the laugh as it fluttered and fell
And eye to eye for a moment there
They held each other as if by a spell.

All in a moment passing there—
And into her idle, empty day,
All in that moment something new
Suddenly seemed to find its way.

And through and through the clamorous hours
That made his clamorous busy day,
A girl's laugh, idle and foolish and sweet,
Into every bargain found its way.

And through and through the crowd of the streets,
At every window in passing by,
He looked for a moment, and seemed to see
A pair of eyes like the morning sky.

LOCAL NEWSPAPERS.

Americans read more newspapers than any other people, and have more, better and cheaper ones to read, because they are the most intelligent, active and progressive nation the sun shines upon; and the perfection to which the American press of this day has attained, will ever be the marvel and pride of our age and race.

But we desire especially to call attention, now, to the place so well filled by the *local* press, which makes especial effort to bring into prominent relief the business and interests of some particular locality, and while it leaves the broader and wider field, more especially, to the enterprising dailies, selects some prescribed quarter upon which to concentrate all its efforts.

To insure success in the midst of such active competition and in the face of so great disadvantages, it is apparant that the *local paper* must have the united and generous support of the people where its lot is cast; as it will certainly receive a willing response from any community which knows how to appreciate, at its true value, so much labor expended for its benefit. Certainly none can give this support unwillingly or grudgingly, when they remember the direct and immediate advantages flowing from a general and hearty recommendation to one's immediate neighbors and friends of whatever he has to sell, or can manufacture, or desires to announce.

Then, too, to know, of a Saturday evening, as you open to the well-filled columns, redolent of friends and home, that every page will bear mark of some familiar hand and discourse upon topics of especial domestic interest is indeed a delight which the more stately daily, and even the monthly magazine wrapped in the daintiest of covers, often fail to impart.

Give a hearty support, then, to the *local* journal; send in your subscriptions cheerfully and promptly, and with an expression of lively good will for the hard-working editor and his assistants; remember the character of a place—whether alive or dead—whether liberal or parsimonious—whether progressive or at a dead level of fossilized stupidity—is better reflected and oftener demonstrated by an inspection of its columns than in any other way. The editorial, the occasional article, the selected news, and the advertisements displayed, will at once be a sure guide to the intellectual, moral, social and business status of that community.—*East Boston Advocate.*

OUR GREAT RIVER.

There are but few rivers in the world that discharge a larger amount of water than the Mississippi, the Amazon discharging four times as much, and the Rio de la Plata about one-third more. The volume of the Mississippi exceeds that of all the noted rivers of Europe combined. Ninety trillion cubic feet of rain-water falls in its valley each year, sufficient to form a lake of 720 miles long, 1000 miles wide, and 50 feet deep. Only one-fourth of this vast volume reaches the Gulf, the balance being taken up by evaporation, absorbtion, etc.

From the mouth of the Missouri to the Gulf in a direct line, the distance is about 675 miles, with an average fall of 8 inches to the mile; by the winding of the river the distance is increased to 1,300 miles, and the fall decreased to 4 inches to the mile. A strange peculiarity of this river is that it grows narrower instead of wider as it proceeds toward the Gulf. From the mouth of the Ohio to the mouth of the Arkansas the average width is 4,470 feet; from the later point to the mouth of the Red River 4,080 feet; from Red River to Bayou La Fourche, 3,000 feet; and from there to the head of the passes, 2,470 feet. At the same time the average depth increases from 87 feet to 129 feet.

The rise and fall varies greatly at different points. At Cairo, Vicksburg and Natchez it is about 50 feet; at Memphis, 40; at the mouth of Red River, 44; at New Orleans, 15; at Fort St. Philip, 4 1-2 feet.

It is estimated that the amount of sediment annually carried by the river into the Gulf is sufficient to form a solid mass 1 mile square and 24 feet high, to say nothing of the immense amount deposited along its banks and for miles inland in time of overflow.

Its current flows at the rate of from 6 to 7 miles an hour, and its banks slope downward for miles as you recede from the river, the slope for the first mile being on an average fully 7 feet.

NEWSPAPER BY-LAWS.—1. Be brief. This is the age of telegraph and stenography.

2. Be pointed. Don't write all around a subject without hitting it.

3. State facts, but don't stop to moralize. It's a drowsy subject. Let the reader do his own dreaming.

4. Eschew preface. Plunge at once into your subject, like a swimmer in cold water.

5. If you have written a sentence that you think particularly fine, draw a pen through it. A pet child is always the worst in the family.

6. Condense. Make sure that you really have an idea, and then record it in the shortest possible terms. We want thoughts in their quintessence.

7. When your article is completed, strike out nine-tenths of the adjectives.

☞His name was Wrath, and when he asked his girl to marry she gave him a soft answer, and the soft answer turned away Wrath.

☞Who is the largest man? The lover; he is a man of tremendous sighs.

The Journal.

SATURDAY, DEC. 26, 1874.

Free Postage.

After January 1st, 1875, we shall be required to *prepay postage* on all copies of our paper going beyond the limits of this county. We shall not, in consequence of this law, increase our subscription rates, but to subscribers who, on or before the 31st of December, *pay all arrearages and one year in advance*, we shall send our paper, *free of postage*. To those who fail to comply with these terms we shall *add the amount of postage to their bills, or discontinue their papers, at our option.*

☞*All persons indebted to this office for subscriptions, advertising or job work are requested to make payment before Jan.* 1, 1875.

FIVE thousand dollars, and no questions asked, is now the reward offered for Charlie Ross. It is expected that this offer will bring the boy if he is alive.

WHY the civil political affairs of our government injure trade and commerce is worth investigation. It is not so in Canada, nor in most European nations, where the national currency is founded upon solid truth. Is not this in our own country to be attributed to the false and fluctuating character of the greenback?

THE Democrats of Springfield are getting in a bad way. They lost the city election, and now they have thrown overboard John W. Phelps, the chairman of the city committee, for making split tickets in his own party. This is a bad omen for the Phelpses, who have run the democratic party of Springfield for several years.

MR. BOWLES of the Republican has been at Washington for several days, taking the latitude and longitude of things, and reports that if the Republican party will follow the advice of Vice-President Wilson, Speaker Blaine and a few others, all will be well; otherwise everything will go to the dogs before the next Presidential election. There are other men who have a different opinion, however.

THE U. S. Senate has passed a bill which the Republicans in caucus adopted, enacting a return to specie payments in 1879, and which might about as well have been in the next generation. Why not call it 1876, so that there would be some likelihood of reaching the happy day in the lives of some of us? Several sessions of Congress will sit before 1879, and what is done this session may be undone in the next. Why then defer for years what should be done now?

ALREADY some of the members of the next Legislature are drawing up license laws. There will be so many aspirants for the honor of furnishing a law that the Legislature will adopt that it is quite possible none of those furnished will pass, and the old prohibitory law be allowed to stand. Disarmed of the constabulary the prohibitory law would be as harmless as a rattlesnake without fangs, and the liquor dealers would prefer this to a license law which would inflict a heavy tax upon them. Yet we are promised a stringent license law.

MR. WRIGHT'S resolution for the extension of the Presidential term, would, if passed, be a valuable addition to civil reform. The bill provides that the President and Vice President shall be elected by a direct vote of the people, and hold office for a term of six years; that the election of both President and Vice President shall be held at the same time and the majority of all votes cast shall constitute an election. It provides that all male citizens having reached the age of twenty-one, and having committed no infamous crimes, shall be eligible voters. The returns to be canvassed by the Supreme Court of the United States, and final judgment given by that body. All Presidents to be ineligible for re-election. This would be a perfect cure against so-called Cæsarism.

THE Civil Rights Bill, the philanthropic legacy of Charles Sumner, almost completes the emancipation of the colored people. In course of time they may get their own rights; but it seems Sumner's motive was to help those who help themselves. Whatever some writers may say to the contrary it deals as much with their social rights as well as political, as the fourth section of the bill abundantly proves. We do not see how the democratic party can remedy the evils covered by this bill, except by a similar course of legislation. The colored people have just as much right to the same privilege in the south as they enjoy in New England, and no matter how the principles of the bill are applied by the democrats, the honor will go to Sumner to whom it is due.

A NUMBER of prominent republicans, including the President himself, are in favor of giving the country a true idea of the financial situation. This is only right. To give a true account of its stewardship is the highest duty of every executive body. Financial reform and the resumption of specie has always been the great work of the republican party. A great commerce like ours requires a monetary system based upon the soundest principles, especially if we must have a respectable credit abroad or a continuous trade at home. In a commercial sense America is on the decline; but by devoting the remainder of his term to a sound money policy, President Grant may confer as great a boon upon us as he did at Richmond. A specie money basis and the introduction of trade co-operation among the masses, are the only and certain remedies for this and all future depressions.

IT is Christmas time—the merriest of all the merry days in the year. Churches are decked with evergreens, Christmas trees are loaded with gifts and shops are filled with holiday presents suited to every age and condition. The growing custom of observing Christmas has become almost universal. It is too good an occasion to let its pleasures be monopolized by Catholic and a few other denominations; so all creeds and denominations have come to recognize it as a time to be observed above all others in making kindly offerings, and strengthening ties of friendship. Thousands of people celebrate Christmas without thinking that it has any other significance than a happy social time. Just as well for them, for a "happy time" if spent in innocent enjoyment is all there is to realize in commemorating a Savior's birth. Let all be happy who can, and do for others what will make others happy also. Then will Christmas indeed be a season of enjoyment to all.

THE Shanlys have finished the Hoosac Tunnel so far as their contract is concerned, and have settled with the Governor and Council, reserving claims upon the State for extras to the amount of nearly $134,000, and the Legislature will be asked to provide for this amount. Then will come the brick arching to prevent the rock from falling down and crushing the cars, which will be about two millions more. This Tunnel business will be a bore to the next Legislature, and help stretch the session into the grass season of next spring.

Brief Mention.

—A nice full moon for Christmas.

—We are on the last legs of the Old Year.

—Congress wants ten days to do up the holidays.

—"The goose hangs high" in this Christmas season.

—A Merry Christmas to all our readers, with many returns of the same.

—They have a vigilance committee in New York to protect passengers on street cars.

—The days are growing longer, and according to the old maxim the cold is growing stronger.

—The fashions of the weather change about every other day. They beat the women in that respect.

—J. A. Rumrill of Springfield has been selected as one of Gov. Gaston's aids. James will make a good one.

—E. H. Luther, editor of the Worcester Press, is candidate for clerk of the House, at Boston.

—Matt Carpenter has been re-elected president pro tem of the U. S. Senate. Wilson is the ornamental president outside.

—The Springfield Telegram building got badly scorched last Saturday night. No paper for Sunday devotions was the consequence.

—The King of the Sandwich Islands had a reception by Congress last week Friday. It was the first time in our history that it had welcomed a King.

HOLYOKE.—The Holyoke Lumber Company's mill was burned on Monday night, involving a loss of $75,000, on which was an insurance of some $30,000. Incendiary.

THE REASON.—Christmas and New Year come on Friday this time. If anybody who expects a nice present should fail to receive it, the disappointment must be attributed to the fact that Friday is an "unlucky day."

HIGH RATES.—The post office department, it is said, has decided to raise the price of money orders to the old scale, about five cents above the present rates, which will just meet the expenses of the money-order service.

A NEW COMPANY.—Springfield is talking of a new military organization something after the fashion of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery, to be composed of past officers of the militia and the volunteers of the past war, who, if the plan succeeds, will have an annual parade and dinner.

MOSQUITOES.—Virginia City, Nevada, which has long congratulated itself on its exemption from mosquitoes, is now the object of a strange visitation. The place of their origin is a low basement used as a bedroom, which swarms with myriads of them, and the citizens fear the whole city will be stocked.

INJUSTICE OF LAW.—Many years ago Isaac Spear, a Chicago jeweller, had a dishonest clerk who invested his stealings in city lots. The clerk's crime was discovered, but in the mean time he had sold to E. R. Haddock the ground upon which to build the Metropolitan Hotel. Spear sued Haddock to recover the land, and now, after a long and costly fight in the courts, Haddock has been obliged to give up the property and pay $12,000 besides.

RETURN TO PRIAM.—William Mullett, a prisoner, escaped from the Pittsfield jail several weeks ago. He had served all but four months of a term of two years for forgery, and it was not thought worth while to go to the expense and trouble of recapturing him. One morning recently he knocked timidly at the warden's door, and begged to be taken in. He was cold, ragged, hungry and sick, and his estimate of the joys of freedom had been lowered by sad experience.

ANOTHER FLOOD.—Another flood at Haydenville, Mass., although we are happy to say it has not proved so serious as the one last May. The new dam of Hayden, Gere & Co., recently completed and supposed to be a firm and solid piece of masonry, broke near the centre Saturday forenoon and a large volume of water again swept down through the valley. No lives were lost. The pecuniary loss is estimated at from three to five thousand.

☞During last year, Beecher's Church handled $71,000 of funds, of which $58,000 were received from pew rents.

☞A disastrous fire occurred at Tokio, Japan, on the 16th of November; about one thousand houses were burned.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

....No sleighing hereabouts.

....S. S. Taft, the lawyer, has gone west for a short visit.

....The religious interest is still increasing among the churches.

....The usual Episcopal services for to-morrow evening will be omitted.

....Schools didn't keep Friday. The children went "Merry Christmasing."

....Local Conference of Congregational churches at Monson, next Tuesday, all day.

....The railroad praying band assisted the Adventists at their meeting Wednesday evening.

....Horace Clark, an old resident of this town, died Thursday morning of heart disease.

....Christmas Concert at the Cong. Church to-morrow afternoon, in the large audience room.

....Our P. M. ("wich is postmaster") has got his stamps for newspaper postage under the new law.

....A sound, practical and entertaining magazine for the young people is St. Nicholas, published by Scribner & Co., New York.

....Harry Southwick, a well known citizen of this town, took passage for Europe, on the steamer Wyoming, which sailed Tuesday, 22d inst.

....Jerre Dutton is teaching a "singing school" at Thorndike, one evening each week. There is room for a similar enterprise at this village.

....Most everybody is buying Holiday presents, and by consulting our advertising columns they will find where they can get the nicest and cheapest articles.

....A copy of our paper is a good Christmas or New Year's present to send to a distant friend. Only $1.75 a year, postage all paid. It is cheaper than writing letters.

....The Reform club have their regular fortnightly meeting at the Cong. vestry to-morrow, at 7½ p. m. Rev. Mr. Goddard will preach a temperance sermon. All are welcome.

....A gobbler belonging to Danforth J. Sikes of Ludlow submitted to a surgical operation by which ten pounds of stuff was taken from his crop. And now he is well as ever.

....There will be a business meeting of all friends of the Universalist cause at 7 o'clock, Monday evening, Dec. 28th, at American House parlors. A special invitation is extended.

....The many friends of Mrs. Jennie Crawford, the music teacher, will be pleased to know that she proposes to give an instrumental concert, with the aid of her class, in two or three weeks.

....It is complained that Palmer is furnishing more jail prisoners than all the rest of the county. Three a day has been the number for several days in succession. Too much zeal with officers and court is thought to be the trouble.

....Last Sunday one of our Palmer ministers took his text from the JOURNAL, and preached a very satisfactory sermon. We shan't charge anything to furnish texts for all clergymen who read the JOURNAL. Help yourselves, gentlemen.

....Tramps are becoming such a nuisance in this village that constable Palmer threatens to prosecute them as vagrants, and as he is a man of his word, the tramps will do well to tramp on. Nineteen were lodged in the tramp rooms one night recently, and sixteen another, while the average has been over five a night.

....The American Bible Society have furnished the New London Northern railroad with four Bibles to each passenger car, which are placed in neat racks over the windows. In a journey of over a hundred miles in one of these cars, two clergymen being among the passengers, it was noticed that a representative of the Palmer JOURNAL was the only person who read them.

....The restaurant lately occupied by Frank Woods in the Commercial block is soon to be re-opened by M. Fox, for the same business. Mr. Fox is already prepared to take orders for oysters, and his long experience in this line of business is too well and widely known to need any commendation from us.

...."A full house and a jolly good time" was what may truly be said of the Cong. sociable Wednesday evening. Everybody was happy, and especially so was the worthy hostess, Mrs J. K. Knox, who was the recipient of an elegant marble top center table, and two beautiful vases, in consideration of her labor during the past year in furnishing the church with floral offerings, which have been so much enjoyed by all.

....The last night of 1874 is to be celebrated and made merry by a "grand soiree" at the Antique House, including one of the sumptuous suppers which "mine host" Weeks is famous for. Bacon & Kenfield's band furnish music for the dancing, and the many friends of Mr. Weeks will not fail to avail themselves of the last chance for a "good time" this year. Tickets $3, including supper.

....A party of children last Saturday afternoon locked themselves into an upper room, and after playing till tired, tried to unlock the door but could not. This terrified them, and some commenced to cry, while the more courageous tried to call help by hallooing and in other ways, but in vain, until at last one little girl said, "Let's pray!" and down they went on their knees. This had the desired effect and help came, the children dropped the key out of a window, and the door was unlocked from the outside. Surely there seems to be some hope for the rising generation.

....The District Court has been busy this week, and has the following record: Monday, James Healey, Daniel Timley and John Creed, from the famous Ludlow water works, were fined $3 and costs each, on drunkenness, and in default of fine were committed. Tuesday, Tom Scanlan and Mike Courtney, drunks, were sent up for short sentences, and Mike Sullivan was similarly favored. Wednesday, three more vagrants, Howard, O'Brien and Burke, were sent to jail for 60 days each. The story of some of these tramps is interesting. Howard was offered work at $1.50 a day, but because his companion O'Brien was not included in the offer he would not accept it, but preferred to tramp. Burke was a New York longshoreman and because the steamboat companies cut his wages down from 60 to 40 cents he preferred to tramp rather than to accept this indignity. So it is with the majority of these fellows.

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

The Christmas festivites promise to be more general and gay than ever before. The Methodist Society endeavor to enrich their treasury by a fair and festival.

The people of North Wilbraham are again moving for a change of place for holding their town meetings, and a meeting is called for next Tuesday to vote on the matter again.

The Academy boys celebrated Thursday evening with the first interview of the season, and judging by the remarks of some of them, we conclude that the truth of the old adage, "faint heart never won fair lady," was realized to a considerable extent.

MONSON.

A few more lamp posts set last week.

The 99 cent store has fresh supplies for the holidays.

The ice dealers have been busy harvesting the ice crop the past week.

The Reynolds mill has been running extra for several nights past.

W. B. Converse will erect a dwelling house next season on his lot on Flynt street.

W. N. Flynt & Co. are pushing their railroad, and intend to bring it to completion as early as possible.

Joel H. Thompson has contracted for a dwelling house to be built on his lot north of Rogers & Co's. store.

At the M. E. church Thursday evening the Christmas tree had many attractions for pastor and people, and the supper was splendidly gotten up.

The largest assembly ever convened in the ladies' parlors of the Cong. church had an enjoyable time last Wednesday evening, and the net proceeds were over $200.

Col. R. U. Conwell gives the second lecture in the Harmony Course at Monson next week Wednesday eve. Col. Conwell is well spoken of and his old comrades of the 46th Reg. will doubtless give him a warm welcome. His subject is "Lessons of Israel."

SOUTH WILBRAHAM.

The selectmen of Wilbraham, by petition of citizens, have called a town meeting for Jan. 1, 1875.

Milton Goodwill lost from his person the 23d inst., $100 in bills. He last knows of having the money in Allen's store.

In the JOURNAL last week the types made the look for a survey of a railroad from Stafford Springs, Ct., to Springfield to be through "Frog Hollow," while it should be "Tray Hollow," a name which in Stafford and hereabouts is as familiar as the "old Jedediah Cady hotel," which in days of yore was in that very locality. The surveyors are now making the survey and investigating the feasibility of the route.

Lucius Chapman, who has been agent of Lacowsic mill almost from the formation of the company, but who has been unable to be here for the last year on account of feeble health, put in an appearance Wednesday, and presented all the families of his help a good nice turkey for Christmas. Such a presentation never was known in this place before. All the help respond "long live agent Chapman," and so say we all.

Some few of the operatives in Ravine mill took a little stroll last Sabbath to get a little sweet cider—nothing stronger, of course. Returning, one of the party preferred to ford Scantic rather than cross the bridge, but he soon found Scantic a hard road to travel, and was rescued by the party. Settling the matter at the boarding-house, words proved of no avail, blows were resorted to, and the result was, black eyes and the whole thing compromised.

WARE AND VICINITY.

....The billiard room on Bank street is soon to change hands again.

....The Ware Savings Bank pays its usual semi-annual dividend of three per cent Jan. 1.

....The Ladies' Benevolent Society met at the residence of D. P. Billings, Church St., on Wednesday evening.

....The October number of Wood's Household Monthly is just received. Good when you get it, but slow to come.

....Mr. Eusebe J. L'heureux left Ware Monday evening to spend the holidays at his home in St. Hilaire, near Montreal.

....The annual meeting of the stockholders of The Ware National Bank, occurs Tuesday P. M., Jan. 12th, at their banking house.

....The Hosiery Mill of the Otis Company is running on full time, but their other mills continue to run three-quarters for the present.

....Our friend Marvin L. Snow, of the Hampshire House, has taken up the pen, and is acting as local correspondent of the new Northampton Journal.

....Mrs. S. E. Sprague will again act as agent of the Framingham Straw Works for this vicinity the coming season, having her headquarters at West Brookfield.

....Mrs. Clara E. Pierce, residing on Pleasant street, recently had $21 in cash stolen from a bureau drawer, while she was temporarily absent from home.

....Don't forget the second lecture of the "People's course," at the Unitarian Church next Wednesday evening, by Rev. W. H. Cudworth of East Boston. Subject, "Up Hill and Down."

....Benj. Bond has a sheep that brought forth, last April, three lambs which when slaughtered a few days since weighed respectively 119, 115, and 99 pounds, and yielded their owner $26.64.

....The Boston Chromo Co., give a miscellaneous entertainment at Music Hall next Thursday evening, and each ticket-holder is promised an oil chromo, besides a good exibition of magical talent, etc.

....Our streets have had an appearance of unusal life during the past few days, owing to the near approach of the holidays, and the consequent purchase of gifts for children and others. It is refreshing to see business "looking up," if only for a few days.

....Rev. E. P. Thwing of Tabernacle College, Brooklyn, N. Y., and a native of Ware, will join with his wife, and other friends, in celebrating their "crystal wedding" at Portland, Me., next Monday evening. Mr. Thwing has recently been elected to a professorship in the above college.

....The young people of Warren held a very enjoyable social gathering at the rooms of the Y. M. C. A., Monday evening. The entertainment consisted of recitations, brief speeches, vocal and instrumental music, &c. The exercises passed off well and the occasion regarded as a success in every particular.

....The New York Weekly Witness, published by John Dougall, No. 2 Spruce St., New York, is a welcome visitor, and its columns read by us with interest. Perhaps no better evidence of its value as a religous weekly can be given than the fact of its having attained a circulation of over 50.000 copies in less than three years. It is an eight page paper and the subscription price has been placed at the small sum of $1.20 per annum, postage paid. Specimen copies will be sent free to all who apply. Address as above.

....The Farmers' Club last Saturday evening discussed the question, "Resolved, That Church property ought to be taxed." After an animated debate the question was decided in the affirmative. It was argued that the exemption of this property was a violation of the principle laid down in the Constitution, "that there should be no union of Church and State,"—that the divorce between the two is incomplete so long as this exemption is allowed. The Club will have a Christmas gathering at the School house this (Saturday) evening.

....A delegation of the State executive committee of Y. M. C. A. will conduct religious services in this town next week, reaching Ware Center Monday evening and remaining there through the following day. Meetings will be held in the M. E. church Tuesday evening, commencing at 7½ o'clock, and Wednesday morning at 9.30. The afternoon and evening services of that day will be held at the East Cong. church, all to be under the direction of Mr. C. J. Littlefield and his associates of the committee. We have reason to believe that these meetings will be of deep interest, and hope that they may not only be fully attended but that much good will result.

WEST END.

As the old year draws to a close, and a new year is about to commence, we would note a few improvements already accomplished and in contemplation in the west part of our village. First, the soap factory of G. V. Jacobs, has received an addition to accommodate his increasing business. The Walker Brothers are putting in a foundation for a soap factory, 24 by 48, with basement, and will soon have it in operation. Mr. H. Bond has just finished a large ice house, 24 by 44, with ell, which will be none too much room for his storage of ice. Henry F. Barnes has purchased the blacksmith shop of John M. Barnes and is making extensive repairs. The lower story is to be used for blacksmithing, and the upper story for a paint shop. He has also erected a new building 20 by 40, to be used as a shop for wood work, in making new and repairing all kinds of carriages, taking his power from John T. Winslow's 10 horse power engine, which was put in by Mr. Winslow, to saw wood at his wood yard. Geo. Eddy, formerly selling agent for Utley, Emerson & Oakes has just started a boot and shoe manufactory, and will soon be able to fill orders in his line of goods. R. Q. Davidison has a cellar in for a new house, in place of the one burned last July. Wm. W. Barnes has put in a cellar for a barn 36 by 40, to replace the one burned. John Gould has a barn just completed 30 by 40, in place of the one destroyed by fire. Mr. Fairbanks has opened a shop for the repair of furniture, and the manufacture of boys' sleds, and will be glad to see customers at his place of business. These improvements and enterprises have all commenced within six, and the most of them within three months, which we think is doing well for the WEST END.

....A correspondent of the Springfield Republican writes thus briefly of one of our former townsmen, whose death as chronicled below will cause deep feeling of regret by a large circle of friends and acquaintances.

"Mr. William S. Breckenridge, who died at the home of his son-in-law in Westfield on Saturday, was for many years a prominent citizen of Ware. Afterwards he lived in Norwich, Ct., then in Westfield, and recently his home has been in Cleveland, O. While in Ware he was prominent in local affairs and in politics, and represented Hampshire county for two years in the State Senate, but, since he left that town, he has been chiefly engaged in the insurance business, which required nearly constant traveling, and so has taken him out of public life. But, whether in the private, business or political relations of life, he showed the same sound judgment, undeviating rectitude and conscientious fidelity to duty, won the respect of every community where he lived, and, by his genial, sympathetic, and always courteous manner, secured the unquestioned friendliness of all his acquaintances, and the deep affection of all his friends. This courtesy and kindness of manner with Mr. Breckenridge was as natural as it was effective, disarming prejudice, inviting confidence, and assuring success. He leaves a wife and one daughter, who is the wife of Mr Lewis E. Root of Westfield."

LETTER FROM MONSON.

DEAR JOURNAL.—Old winter has at last doned his inauguration robes and reigns supreme. Lazy people like myself are perforce seeking recreation indoors, and I, in this extremity, have bethought me that a few words from Monson may not be unacceptable to you. We are a conservative people and our few variations from the beaten track are usually well "reported," in our local paper, but some items from our town which find their way to the city papers are veritable curiosities in their way. For instance, I was highly amused, but not greatly edified, while reading an item in the Springfield Republican of the 19th inst., regarding the skeleton which was recently found by workmen while grading for Flynt's new railroad. The article in question must have been penned by some sojourner in Monson. The writer could not have been a resident of this place for any length of time, for no "old settler" would try to employ the legend of the life and deeds, of the hermit of "Old Bunyan," or "Parks Mountain" in accounting for the presence of any such remains as were found near the "Rock House" last week. Setting aside the fact that this body had evidently been buried but a few years, it is highly improbable that, had it been the hermit's traditional victim, he would have taken the trouble to carry the body nearly two miles to bury it. Another, and a more probable suggestion is that this is the skeleton of a negro, who suddenly disappeared a few years ago from his home in a little settlement of colored people not far from the "Rock House," foul play was suspected at that time, but it escaped investigation. Our scientific men have failed to state whether this is the skeleton of a negro or a white man, and at last accounts a part of it had been carted away and dumped with the debris from the road, and there was every indication that the remainder would soon have the same unceremonious reburial.

However, I repeat we are a very conservative people, and not moved by trifles. Let us talk of *street lamps*, and, as we talk I would suggest that the same public spirit which has instigated the abbreviation of the steps in front of the "Barton Block," should, ere the moon wanes, cause one of these boasted illuminators to be placed at some point where its beams will serve to prevent the "falls" which will otherwise inevitably follow the aforesaid mutilation.

Our artist, Mr. Wade, has recently taken a number of excellent photographic and stereoscopic views of the new church, Bartons' & Towne's blocks, Green's Hall, the school house, &c. His pictures are good, and his prices, to suit the times.

Other things occur to my mind (perhaps better unwritten however) but my letter has already attained an unlooked-for length and I will only add that, without in the least wishing to infringe upon the rights of our excellent local reporter, I will endeavor, should any more of our village news become so badly demoralized on it's way to Springfield to let you hear from

Monson, Mass. PHENIX.

☞Alfred Macy, one of the executive Council, died in Boston Wednesday evening of typhoid fever. He belonged in Nantucket, was reelected to the council for 1875, and was candidate for the nomination of Lieut. Governor at the last republican state convention.

☞Barrels are now made with one stave each. This is accomplished by turning a steamed log, of the length of a barrel, against a sharp knife of the requisite length, and thus cutting it into a continuous sheet of wood of the thickness of a barrel stave.

☞An invoice of flour, in paper barrels, from Winona, Minnesota, was received in Philadelphia last week, and attracted much attention, being the first ever received there in that style of package. It was manufactured by the "patent process."

☞The Emperor and Empress of Russia wear pretty good clothes. The latter has a red velvet mantle lined with 228 sable skins and valued at about $20,000. The Emperor has a cloak of blue foxskins worth $24,000

☞Myron Fuller, an old man about seventy years of age, came into his house at Windsorville, Conn., Friday morning, and after remarking that he thought he would not work any longer, fell dead on the floor.

☞The San Francisco board of brokers consists of but eighty members, and the number cannot be increased. A seat was recently sold for $20,000.

☞A resident of Sewell's Point, Va., who has been the husband of seven wives, and is the father of twenty-seven children, has obtained a license to marry again.

☞An average number of the London Times contains about 2500 advertisements, and the receipts in the advertising department are said to be about 1000 pounds, or five thousand dollars a day.

☞A woman near Saginaw, Mich., drives wood to market, and afterward saws it for her customers. In this way she supports a sick husband and four children.

☞At a recent sale of antiquities in Edinburgh two of the bones of Robert Bruce were sold for £5, and one of the vertebræ of William the Lion for £5 10s.

☞Within twelve hours, Tuesday, Hugh Dennely of Dracut lost two children, a son and daughter, and two more of his family are in a critical condition.

☞Davis, the colored governor pro tem. of Mississippi, took advantage of the absence of Ames to pardon fourteen convicts in one week.

☞The proprietor of a Boston eating saloon advertises a "sacred clam chowder every Sunday evening."

A CARD.—Mrs. J. K. Knox desires to express her hearty thanks to the friends who so kindly remembered her on the evening of Dec. 23d.

O. D. Morse & Co., of the Central Shoe Store, Springfield, has put down the prices of rubbers rubber boots, arctics, &c., and his competitors don't like it.

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At Ware, 16th, by Rev. W. G. Tuttle, JOHN B. ALDEN of Springfield and Miss MITTIE A. HALL of Ware.
At Monson, 22d, NATHAN HARRINGTON of Toledo, O., and M. LOUISE HOMER.

DIED.

At Palmer, 24th, HORACE CLARK, 75. Funeral at his late residence on Thorndike street to-day (Saturday), at 1 p. m.
At Palmer, 18th, Mrs. BETSEY ANDERSON, 88, of Monson.
At Monson, 17th, LUVAN L. ADAMS, 66.
At West Warren, 6th, W. C. MARSHAL, 42.
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W. S. HYDE, Cashier.
Ware, Dec. 9, 1874. 4w41

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THE SUN.

WEEKLY AND DAILY FOR 1875.

The approach of the Presidential election gives unusual importance to the events and developments of 1875. We shall endeavor to describe them fully, faithfully, and fearlessly.

THE WEEKLY SUN has now attained a circulation of over seventy thousand copies. Its readers are found in every State and Territory, and its quality is well known to the public. We shall not only endeavor to keep it fully up to the old standard, but to improve and add to its variety and power.

THE WEEKLY SUN will continue to be a thorough newspaper. All the news of the day will be found in it, condensed when unimportant, at full length when of moment, and always, we trust, treated in a clear, interesting and instructive manner.

It is our aim to make the WEEKLY SUN the best family newspaper in the world. It will be full of entertaining and appropriate reading of every sort, but will print nothing to offend the most scrupulous and delicate taste. It will always contain the most interesting stories and romances of the day, carefully selected and legibly printed.

The Agricultural Department is a prominent feature in the WEEKLY SUN, and its articles will always be found fresh and useful to the farmer.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.—HAMPDEN, SS. PROBATE COURT.—To all persons interested in the estate of Clarissa B. White, late of Monson, in said county, deceased, Greeting:

Whereas, Welcome Converse, the executor of the will of said deceased, has presented for allowance the final account of his administration upon the estate of said deceased:

You are hereby cited to appear at a probate court to be holden at Springfield, in said county on the first Tuesday of January next at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed.

And said executor is ordered to serve this citation by publishing the same once a week, in the Palmer Journal, a newspaper printed at Palmer, three weeks successively, the last publication to be two days, at least, before said court.

Witness, William S. Shurtleff, Esquire, Judge of said court, this fifteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

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A Girl's Forever.

The mulberry flowers came drooping down
Sweet over the two that stood together,
Parting there by the gateway brown,
Still and sad in the soft May weather.
He held her close for a last, long kiss:—
"I will wait for you, dear," she said, "forever!
No later hour shall be false to this;
For mine is a love that can alter never!"

The mulberry flowers droop down once more
Sweet over the two that stand together;—
But not the two that stood before,
Parting sad in the soft May weather!
For the earth has changed its bloom again,
And the love has changed that could alter never,
But a year has come and gone since then!—
And that is the length of a girl's forever!

—*K. P. Osgood in Christian Union.*

ANCIENT INKS.

The ink used by ancient writers was formed of lampblack, or the black taken from burnt ivory, and soot from furnaces and baths. Some have supposed that the black liquor which the cuttle-fish yields was frequently employed. One thing is certain, that whatever were the component ingredients, from the blackness and solidity in the most ancient manuscripts, from an ink-stand found at Herculanum, in which the ink appears as thick as oil, and from chemical analysis, the ink of antiquity was much more opaque, as well as encaustic, than that which is used in modern times. Inks of different colors were much in vogue; red, purple, blue, and gold and silver inks, were the principal varieties. The red was made from vermillion, cinnibar, and carmine, the purple from the murex; one kind of which called the purple encaustic, was appropriated to the exclusive use of the emperors. Golden ink, was much more popular among the Greeks than among the Romans. During the middle or dark ages, the manufacture both of it and of silver ink was an extensive and lucrative branch of trade, and the illuminated manuscripts which remain are a striking proof of the high degrees of perfection to which the art was carried. The making of the inks themselves was a distinct business; another connected with it, and to which it owed its origin, was that of inscribing the titles, capitals, as well as emphatic words, in colored, gold and silver inks.

How Dry it Was.—An honest old man from the country gave his recollections of the hot spell as follows: "It was so dry we couldn't spare water to put in our whiskey. The grass was so dry that every time the wind blew it flew around like so much ashes. There wasn't a tear shed at a funeral for a month. The sun dried up all the cattle, and burnt off the hair till they looked like Mexican dogs, and the sheep all looked like poodle puppies, they shrank up so. We had to soak our hogs to make them hold swill, and if any cattle were killed in the morning they'd be dried beef at dark. The weeds dried up so that the farmers chopped seasoned timber all through August, and there ain't a match through all the country.—in fact, no wedding since the widow Glenn married old Baker, three months ago. What few grasshoppers are left are all skin and legs, and I didn't hear a tea kettle sing for six weeks. We eat our potatoes baked, they being all ready, and we couldn't spare water to boil 'em. All the red-headed girls were afraid to stir out of the house in daylight, and I tell you, I was afraid the devil had moved out of his old home and settled down with us for life. Why, we had to haul water all summer to keep the ferry running, and—say, it's getting dry; let's take suthin'."

Good Enough.—A lawyer built himself an office in the shape of a hexagon, or six square. The novelty of the structure attracted the attention of some Irishmen who were passing by; they made a full stop and viewed the building very critically. The lawyer, disgusted at their curiosity lifted up his window, put his head out and thus addressed them:

'What do you stand there like a pack of blockheads gazing at my office for; do you take it for a church?'

'Faix,' answered one of them, 'I was thinking so till I saw the devil poke his head out of the window.'

Dialogue in a Cemetery.—Wife—"Ah, husband, do you see this beautiful carving? How delicately cut in the pure white stone!"

Husband. "Yes, very pretty."

Wife. "But, William, you have no taste for art; you don't enjoy these things as I do. Just notice this slender column of immaculate marble, with the touching question so beautifully carved, do they miss me at home?"

Husband. "Yes, I see; and here is her name on the foot-stone—'G. A. B.' Yes, I guess they miss her, if that was her name.'

And there came silence.

Cleaning Gilt Articles.—Gilt metalic articles may be cleaned by rubbing them very gently with a soft sponge or brush dipped in a solution of one-half an ounce of potash, or one ounce of soda, or still better of one-half an ounce of borax in a pound of water and drying with a soft linen rag. Their lustre may be improved in special cases by warming them sligtly and then rubbing them very gently. Gilt frames, etc., should only be washed with pure water, rubbing very gently with a soft sponge or brush.

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